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Americans Link Up In Ruhr Pocket

Canadians Reach North Sea After 15-Mile Advance

LONDON, April 16. (Reuter): Reuter front line flashes tonight reported that the Ruhr pocket has been split towards the eastern end by a linkup of Ninth and First United States Armies troops north of Hagen and that only one-sixth of the pocket now remains to be cleared. The towns there still uncaptured include Duesseldorf.

Already the Ninth Army has taken 143,349 prisoners from the pocket. The Allied armies on the whole western front in the first fortnight in April took over 548,173 prisoners.

The Ninth Army has cleared Bixmark, 33 miles north of Magdeburg where the bridgehead across the Elbe has been expanded One bridgehead over the river has been lost due to heavy German pressure.

General Patton's Third Army forces are now only 13 miles from the Czech border, while in Holland the Canadians have captured the communications hub of zwolle and swung north to within five miles of Herrenveen which is 27 miles from the north coast of Holland.

The U.P.A. adds: Canadian troops have reached the North Sea at Ternard and Zeutkamp Ternard on the Friesland coast, it was revealed late tonight. Other Canadian forces drove into Dokkum, five miles from the North Sea and also cleared Leeuwarden, largest town in Friesland. Today's captures represented a 15-mile advance for the Canadians.

Hundreds of German troops in Bayreuth prevented surrender of the city when the Eleventh Armoured Division opened negotiations yesterday, says Reuter's special correspondent with the United States Third Army.

The city was immediately pounded by aircraft and artillery, and white flags appeared three hours later. Infantry speeding forward in the wake of tanks occupied the city.

The German overseas news agency tonight reported that Allied troops had "penetrated into the western part" of Chemnitz, the great industrial centre of Saxon, 35 miles southwest of Dresden, with a prewar population of 360,000.

BERLIN ABOUT TO FALL?

LONDON, April 15 (Globe): From the military point of view the war in Europe is virtually over. It may literally end at any moment. News of major importance is known to have reached Cabinet Ministers on Saturday.

Tension in the German capital is reaching a peak as the Allied armies approach, say neutral reports. Last-minute barricades are being rushed into position.

It is accepted in informed quarters as impossible that the German Army can put up organised resistance anywhere, says Globe's diplomatic correspondent. This does not mean there will be no further fighting, although even that is a possibility.

Internal affairs in Germany have completely collapsed. The Central Government has ceased to exist and local government is of a sketchy kind.

Kesselring Grabs U-Boat Men To Hold North Line

LONDON, April 13 (Globe).—Kesselring, faced with the prospect of annihilation for his shattered Rhineland armies, is forming an emergency "back-to-the-sea" line from Bremen to Emden, cables a "Daily Herald" war reporter.

Kesselring is mustering five to six divisions, drawing on U-boat crews and troops rushed from Denmark in a desperate effort to keep the Allies from the North Sea ports.

NAZIS ABANDONING SOUTH-WEST GERMANY

ON THE GERMAN-SWISS FRONTIER, April 15 (A.P.A.): German refugees reaching here today said that the Nazis are abandoning all south-west Germany and retiring into Bavaria.

ENEMY CARGO LINER ATTACKED

LONDON, April 14 (Reuter): A large cargo liner probably moving German troops from Norway to Baltic ports was attacked by an R.A.F. coastal command Halifax in Kattegat this morning.

ASSAULT ON NAZI POCKETS IN FRANCE

Allied Move To Free Bordeaux Port

SHAEF, April 15, Reuter: An all-out land, sea and air effort to wipe out the German pockets along the western coast of France, estimated to contain 100,000 Germans, began today, announces a special communique issued here.

Preliminary skirmishes to improve Allied positions for a jump-off occurred yesterday. While French warships and naval aircraft hit at German batteries, the French and United States ground forces which had been containing the Gironde pocket, near Bordeaux, for months launched a full-scale attack.

General de Larminat, Commander of the Ground Troops, in an 'Order of the Day' says: "The moment has come to blow up the enemy fortresses of Royan Grave."

He adds that his troops were fighting specially "to free the port of Bordeaux, which is indispensable for our imports, so that France will have enough to eat next Winter."

Nazi "Last Ditch" Commander

WESTERN FRONT, April 15 (Reuter): The Germans have appointed Field Marshal Busch, former Army Group and Eastern Front Commander, as their "last ditch" Commander-in-Chief against Field Marshal Montgomery's armies in North-West Germany.

Details of Field Marshal Busch's appointment were found in a captured document. Field Marshal Kesselring is now Commander-in-Chief in Central and Southern Germany.

Patton Sacks Censor Who Passed Nazi Gold Seizure Copy

U. S. THIRD ARMY FRONT, April 15 (Reuter): General Patton has transferred his chief press censor following the passing of correspondents' stories of seizure of Germany's bullion and currency in the Thuringian saltmine. A high ranking officer said it was "a serious breach of security."

ROOSEVELT STREET FOR PARIS.

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter): The Paris municipal council has decided to name one of the capital's principal streets after President Roosevelt.

Americans Capture Von Papen

Profiteers' New Ruse

Import Garments To Pass Off For Cloth

CALCUTTA, April 15 (A.P.I.): Black marketeers in textile goods in Calcutta are adopting a new technique to obtain supplies, states a circular issued by the Director of Consumer Goods.

In order to avoid control by the Directorate they are spuriously describing imports as ready made garments although the actual amount of tailoring involved is nominal and the intention of the importer is apparently to undo the stitching to use the cloth for sale. In recent instance about 20 yards of shirting was sewn up with very large stitches, as if it were intended to use the sewn up article as a covering for beds or quilts after stuffing it with cotton wool.

The Director warns that if the practice is continued any further steps would be taken to put it down severely.

23,000 Allied War Prisoners Freed

SHAEF, April 15. (Reuter)—United States First Army troops have overrun a camp in the Ruhr pocket containing 23,000 Allied prisoners, mostly Russians.

PAPEN FLOWN TO U.S.?

LONDON, April 15 (Reuter).—The New York Radio quoting an unofficial source said early today (Sunday) that Von Papen may already have been flown to the United States. There is no confirmation of this report from any other source.

Son Discloses Hiding Place

SHAEF PARIS Saturday, (Reuter) The capture of German diplomat Frans Von Papen in Ruhr was officially announced tonight.

Glider troops caught the former Reich-Chancellor on April 11.

His son Captain Von Papen of the German army, was captured first. American glider troops became suspicious of his fluent English and during the interrogation he admitted who he was and disclosed that his father was hiding in a small hunting lodge in the hills behind Stockhausen.

Patrols set out next morning and found the diplomat's son-in-law Max Von Stockhausen, guarding the lodge. They surrounded the place and on entering it found Von Papen senior at dinner.

He told them "I cannot imagine what you Americans want with an old man of 67 years". When confronted with his portrait he admitted his identity.

He showed great concern for the safety of his wife and children who had fled earlier. "I wish this war were over", he said as they led him away.

"Fox" Of German Diplomacy

PARIS, April 14 (U.P.A.)—Von Papen, known as "the fox" of German diplomacy, had been reported serving as Hitler's chief adviser on foreign affairs since his return from his last post abroad as Ambassador to Turkey.

There was no immediate indication of the reason for Von Papen having been in the area where thousands of Nazi troops were isolated by swift British and American thrusts early this month.

Reds 31 Miles From Berlin

Whole East Front Soon To Be Aflame

MOSCOW, April 15 (Reuter): Throwing powerful tank and artillery formations into the first round of the 602 mile broad new Soviet attacks along the approaches to Berlin, Marshal Zhukov has tonight made "local breaches" in the German positions due east of the Reich capital, according to the latest German reports.

Soviet gains have been made west of Kuestrin—apparently on the west bank of the Oder, where unofficial Soviet reports have put the Soviet Deputy Commander-in-Chief within 31 miles of Berlin.

So far Moscow has not confirmed that the Red Army has gone over to the offensive towards Berlin but Reuter's special correspondent had cabled from Moscow tonight that the whole East Front will soon be aflame.

Further south, on the Austrian front fighting against strong German opposition is now raging along the line from a point south-east of Brno in Czechoslovakia to the Alpine valleys of Austria, with Marshal Malinovsky in the north and the centre and Marshal Tolbukhin in the centre and the southernmost sector, skilfully coordinating the three armies for a big push on Southern Germany.

Sankt Poelten, 25 miles west of Vienna, has been captured by the Red Army, announces Marshal Stalin in an 'Order of the Day.'

Nazi 'Fifth Columnist' In Iran Arrested

TEHERAN, April 15 (Reuter): The last of German 'Fifth Columnists' in Iran, engineer Victor Jacob—sometimes Kassakowski—has been arrested and handed over to British authorities. Jacob, who has been in hiding since Allied troops entered Persia in 1941, helped the German agent, Maj. Schulze to build a secret landing ground.

ROOSEVELT LAID TO REST

HYDEPARK (NEW YORK), April 15. (Reuter): President Roosevelt was laid to rest this morning in the garden between his family home and the Franklin D Roosevelt Library in the presence of his family, a large delegation of officials and massed ranks of Servicemen.

A mound of flowers from thousands of public and private persons, including Gen. Eisenhower, was banked near the grave to which the casket was carried from the private train which brought the late President from Washington.

Three small boxes of earth from Haiti, Cuba and the Dominican Republic flown here were placed in the grave by the Consuls-General of those nations.

The Canadian Premier, Mr. MacKenzie King came from Ottawa by train to attend.

Before the casket was lowered into the grave a 21-shot salute was fired by 375-millimetre guns placed in front of the Library which becomes a National shrine as Roosevelt's gift to the nation.

FUNERAL SERVICE READ

Mr. Truman, stood at the grave side as the funeral service was read by Rev. George Anthony, Rector of Saint James Episcopal Church, Hyde Park, which Roosevelt attended when in residence here.

FUNERAL CORTEGE

The funeral cortege entered the estate to the muffled sound of black crepe-covered drums. the coffin, covered with stars and stripes, was drawn on a black gun-carriage by seven horses. Immediately behind walked Mrs. Roosevelt and her daughter Mrs. Anna Boettinger with her husband. The coffin was lowered into the grave to the echo of three volleys of shots fired by four cadets from estpoint.

LAST MOMENTS OF F. D. R. Only Two Persons At Death-Bed

The President had planned three weeks' rest at Warm Springs when he arrived on March 30. He had intended to stay there another week. The bombshell broke after a day of good war news and after all radios had flashed confidently and expressed the Washington military view that the German war could be over within a few days. This made the shock all the greater.

Not knowing how to express their grief, people wandered out of their houses and began talking with neighbours. In bars a sudden silence fell, for men and women were unable to adjust their minds quickly to loss of the man who had often been talked of by his enemies as "sick" but who, in his fourth term was just as much accepted as a part of the American scene as White House itself.

President Roosevelt died in the bedroom of his little white bungalow at the top of Pine Mountain, where he had been visiting for 20 years to take treatment for infantile paralysis, with which he was stricken in 1921. Only two persons are believed to have been in the cottage at the time of his death. They are Miss Laura Delano and Miss Margaret Suckley who frequently kept house for him during his recent visits.

First Announcement Of Death

The death announcement was made in the centre of a 2,000 acre Warm Springs Foundation after being dictated to reporters in the white cottage across the red clay road from the administration building of the Foundation.

It was Roosevelt's second stay at the Foundation in four months. The news spread like wildfire through the Foundation and on top of the adjoining mountain, where guests were gathering for a picnic. The President's late arrival for the picnic caused some anxiety. A telephone call was put through and a few minutes later representatives of major news services were told to rush immediately to the President's cottage for some news.

America Stunned

WASHINGTON, April 12—Shortly after the death of President Roosevelt was announced to a stunned nation this afternoon, Americans of all parties and many stations expressed deep sorrow at the passing of America's wartime leader, USOWI.

MOSCOW IN MOURNING

MOSCOW (SATURDAY) (Reuter): Blackdraped Soviet flags appeared over all Public buildings in Moscow today in tribute to the memory of President Roosevelt.

Prominent Soviet personalities and the whole American colony and Diplomatic Corps in Moscow will attend a memorial service at the residence of Mr. Averill Harriman the United States' Ambassador, today.

Viceroy Attends Memorial Service

NEW DELHI, April 15 (A.P.I.): Memorial services in honour of the late President Roosevelt were held in various churches in Delhi today. The Viceroy Sir John Colville and Lady Colville attended a special service held at the Church of Redemption. Passages from the Bible in praise of the great were read out during the service by the Viceroy and by Mr. George R. Merrel, special representative of the President of the United States.

Rev. J. D. Tyler, Chaplain of New Delhi, delivering the sermon observed that the passing away of the President was a grievous loss not only to the U.S., but also to the British Commonwealth and indeed for the whole world for he had been an international leader in the best sense.

"If we would honour Roosevelt, let it be by our resolution to carry on where he has left off good neighbourliness, the very thing Christ taught us, and freedom, the very thing for which he died", he added.

Earlier, another service was held at the Lady Hardinge Field which was attended by the American troops in the Delhi area, and dignitaries representing the Allied nations and U. S. Army civilian employees. Maj.-Gen. Frank D. Merril, Deputy Commander of the India-Burma Theatre, read the official War Department General Order, which announced "the Army is deeply grieved at the death of our Commander-in-Chief. He gave the Army unstintedly of his strength and wisdom, and his unremitting labours hastened his death."

Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief in India, was among those who attended these services.

Casey Attends Service In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, April 15 (A.P.I.): Tribute to the late President Roosevelt was paid at Memorial Services this afternoon in St. Paul's Cathedral. Hundreds of Allied service men and women, high ranking officials of the Government of Bengal and representatives of foreign consulates attended.

The military delegation in attendance was headed by Lt.-Gen. Sir Oliver Leese, Commander ALFSEA; Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard O'Connor, G.O.C., S.-E.A.C.; Maj.-Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, Commander E.A.C.; Maj.-Gen. D. Stuart, G.O.C., L. of C. area and Brig.-Gen. R. R. Neyl of Base 2. H. E. Robert G. Casey, Governor of Bengal, was in attendance with members of his staff.

U. S. TROOPS HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICE

KARACHI, April 15 (A.P.I.): American troops here held today a memorial service for President Roosevelt. Sir Hugh Dow, Governor of Sind attended the service and addressed the gathering.

A condolence resolution on the death of President Roosevelt was passed by the Conference of the Local-Self-Government Institute, Mr R. K. Sidhwa, M.L.A presiding.

Memorial Service At City Cathedral

A Memorial Service for Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President of the United States of America was held at St. Thomas Cathedral, Bombay on Sunday morning.

Rev. Rigg Stansfield officiated and the Choir organised by Mr. H. Miller sang the Russian Contakion.

After the saying of 'Apostles Creed' and prayers—The Lord prayer, there was a silent prayer for the people and Government of the United States, for the leaders and peoples of the Allied Nations, and for all who, by sea and land and air, are fighting for the Allied cause.

The last Bugle was sounded by the American Bugler.

Among those present were, His Excellency, the Acting Governor of Bombay, the Judges of the Bombay High Court, the Chief Presidency Magistrate and other High Government Officials, Officers of Military, Navy and Air Forces.

Gandhiji's Views On Office Acceptance

"Follow Your Own Belief" For Parliamentary Programme

BOMBAY, Sunday: Gandhiji spoke for a few minutes to the audience during prayers today at Ruings House, as that was probably his last Sunday for some time to come. He was advised to take rest and recoup himself in Mahabaleshwar.

He wanted to refer to a conversation he had with a friend. He was asked to define what was a Gandhite as there was confusion in the public mind. He could safely say there was no Gandhite in India. He was himself not one. He had founded no cult. He claimed to be a Satyagrahi, and, therefore, he was also non-violent or was trying to be so and he invited every one in the audience to become one.

When the odds were heavy against them in South Africa where they were in a hopeless minority he had discovered Satyagraha in 1906 in the place of parliamentary programme. He had never been a member of any Parliament or even a local board. He saw that non-violent non-co-operation was the most powerful thing instead. The constructive part was his 15-fold programme which they had seen. There was Swaraj in it and much more.

Satyagraha was not a mere policy with him, it was his creed. He hoped to see God face to face through it. If that was the power of Satyagraha surely political Swaraj was a simple matter if all took to it.

But his Satyagrahi told him that he was to bear with those who did not see eye to eye with him but sought to go through the parliamentary programme. They had known him closated with Dr. Khan Saheb and his friends as also with Advocate Bhulabhai Desai. He told them to follow their belief. He owned no enemy; certainly not Englishmen and not even English officials. But that did not mean that he should follow them. He went his own way. The official way was to rule India, his was to serve India. The official was all for power, he was all for service and that in the name of God. Therefore, he could afford to face the whole world's opposition for God, he believed, was with him and He was a never failing, all-sufficing companion and infallible God.

GAFFAR KHAN FOR DELHI

Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan who arrived in the city shortly after Mahatma Gandhi left Bombay by the Frontier Mail this evening for Delhi "en route" to Frontier

32 Enemy Divisions In Italy

Wittinghoff Succeeds Kesselring

A.H.Q., MEDITERRANEAN, April 15 (Reuter): Field Marshal Alexander in a statement released tonight announced that the Commander-in-Chief of the Germans fighting in North Italy is General von Wittinghoff, former Commanders of the German Tenth Army at the time of the Anzio bridgehead, who now holds the title of Commander-in-Chief of the South-Western Command.

The German strength, it was disclosed by Field Marshal Alexander, is 26 good divisions reinforced by six Italian divisions.

General Wittinghoff has, therefore, assumed the command formerly held by Field Marshal Kesselring.

"SHALL JOIN RUSSIANS"

General Alexander added "Big events are about to take place We stand in line ready for the final battle. The Germans in Italy are facing disaster. Sooner or later we shall join hands with the Russians."

FIGHTING IN ITALY

MEDITERRANEAN H.Q., April 15. (Reuter): To day's Allied Communique said: "Eighth Army troops are meeting heavy opposition against their bridgehead over the Sillaro river.

Further north our troops reached the river Reno at Bastia where heavy fighting is taking place. In the Imola area Eighth Army troops are closing round the town.

On the west coast Fifth Army troops have made further progress astride the Ligurian highway".

Senio River Crossed In Assault Boats

ROME, April 15 (Reuter): In the grand offensive to drive the Germans out of Italy which is under way, British and Indian troops of the Eighth Indian Division are sweeping everything before them The formidable barrier of the River Senio, which had held up the Eighth Army's advance for many months was stormed, smashed and left behind in ruins by British and Indian formations.

In the fierce fighting that followed British and Indian troops took hundreds of prisoners, inflicted heavy casualties and managed to cross the river in assault boats.

POLISH EX-PREMIER ACCEPTS YALTA DEAL

Friendship With Russia Emphasised

LONDON, April 15 (Reuter): M. Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, former Prime Minister of the Polish Government in London, declared today that he accepted the Crimea decision regarding the future of Poland.

"I consider that close and lasting friendship with Russia is the keystone of the future Polish policy within the wider friendship of the United Nations", he said.

"I support the decision arrived at in Crimea that a conference of leading Polish personalities be called with a view to constituting a Government of national unity as widely and fairly representative of the Polish people as possible."

STOP PRESS

LEUNA CAPTURED

FIRST UNITED STATES ARMY, April 15 (Reuter): Troops of the U. S. First Army have captured the much-bombed synthetic oil centre of Leuna, twelve miles west of Leipzig.

VIENNA AREA OCCUPIED

MOSCOW, April 15 (Reuter): Floridsdorf, industrial suburb of Vienna has been captured by Marshal Malinovsky's troops announces a second 'Order of the Day.' This completes the occupation of the whole Vienna area.

GERMAN GENERAL MADE PRISONER

LONDON, April 15 (Reuter): The New York radio announces that 96-year-old Field Marshal August von Mackensen, who commanded the German armies in the Balkans during the last war, has been captured by Allied troops.

POLES TAKE IMOLA

A.H.Q., MEDITERRANEAN, April 15 (Reuter): Eighth Army Polish troops today captured Imola and are approaching the Sillaro river.

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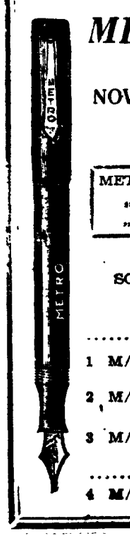

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Petition for Letters of Administration of the Joint family property and credits standing in the name of VIRCHAND MEGHJI alias VERCHAND MEGHJI alias V. MEGHJI alias VIRCHAND MEGHJI SHAH, late of Bombay Hindu Merchant, residing at the time of his death at No. 7, Nepean Sea Road and being a member of a joint and undivided Hindu family .... Deceased.

MANILAL VIRCHAND MEGHJI, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at No. 7, Nepean Sea Road, outside the Fort ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir LEONARD STONE, Knight Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 9th day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-five and in the Ninth year of our Reign.

(Sd.) A. H. KIRTIKAR, Prothonotary & Senior Master.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

(Sd.) A. R. NARAYAN IYER,

The 9th day of Aprl, 1945.
Messrs. PAYNE & CO.,
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AUCTION SALE OF FURNITURE, etc., at Anchorage, Apollo Bunder advertised for to-day has been POSTPONED till further notice.

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STORY OF BLACK MARKETING BY MILL RETAIL SHOPS

Revelations At Textile Board Meeting

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, April 13.

A sensational story how black marketting is conducted by some millowners of Bombay and how cloth from their retail shops is going to the black market was disclosed by one high Textile Officer of the Government of India at meeting of the Textile Board recently held in Bombay.

It is learnt that this Textile Officer had visited some retail shops in Bombay incognito. He saw with his own eyes that these mill retail shops were giving cloth most probably to their relatives and friends and in one case about 60 yards cloth of shirting were sold to only one man, thus making misuse of the permission given to the mills to sell in retail 10 per cent cloth of their production.

During another visit as a millowner of Coimbatore this officer discussed plans with the authorities of some mills and found that most probably the cloth that was being sold in retail by the mills was going into those who were selling it in the black market. He also noted same incidents about sale of rent receipt at Rs. 4 each in Bombay.

It is said that these are some of the reasons responsible for reducing retail sale by mills to two per cent of cloth of their production instead of 10 per cent.

TIME FOR OFFICE ACCEPTANCE NOT YET

Bhaktavatsalam's Address At Madras District Conference

MADRAS, April 15, (U. P. I.): "Congress is striving for complete freedom only in the interest of the people. It will therefore, never hesitate to take up the responsibility of office when real power should be available so as to truly serve the people. Let us not therefore swerve from our ideal of complete independence and let us not be sidetracked by false or irrelevant issues", said Mr. N. Bhaktavatsalam presiding over the Madras District Political Conference to-day.

Continuing he reminded the people of the circumstances that led to the resignation of Congress Ministries in the Provinces and asked them whether there was any change in the situation. He said: "Not only is there no change but the situation has worsened. The Congress Working Committee is in prison and we are deprived of their guidance. What would therefore, be the service that we can render to the people with old offices?"

He appealed to Congressmen not to plead for office acceptance in the name of leaders in jail. "We have been carrying on the struggle for freedom with unflinching faith in our own strength and we should not now retrace and surrender to the wishes of a few people who are getting impatient", he said.

WAVELL MISSION.

Referring to the Viceroy's reported political mission to London Mr. Bhaktavatsalam said that if the British Government had decided to part with power these talks would have been unnecessary and the very fact of these talks showed that the British Government did not realise the need for attempting to solve the deadlock which was of its own creation.

Concluding the President exhorted the audience to follow Gandhiji's lead and carry out his constructive programme.

He condemned the treatment meted out to politicals in the Alipuram Jail and pleaded for the abolition of classification of politicals.

No Office Acceptance Till Leaders Are Freed, Says Nagindas Master

MADRAS, April 15, (A. P. I.): The view that nothing could be done in this country to solve the political problem so long as the members of the Congress Working Committee had not been released was expressed by Mr. Nagindas T. Master, ex-Mayor of Bombay, when he inaugurated the Madras Political Conference to-day. On the question of office acceptance he said that it was for the members of the Working Committee alone as free men to decide which way the Congress and the nation should go. The example of N. W. F. Province, he felt, was not applicable to other provinces where Section 93 operated. The problem of North-West Frontier Province was unique and it stood by itself.

Mr. Nagindas at the outset reviewed the political situation in the country since 1942 and said that there was no cause for despair. He added that the nation was exhausted not because of the struggle, but because of the sufferings and hardships caused by the war situation. One of the causes that led to the failure of the Congress movement, he remarked, was want of strength and endurance and the constructive programme now outlined by Mahatma Gandhi could bring to workers that strength and urge which was essential for the success.

The conference passed resolutions "inter alia" expressing complete confidence in the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi and the Congress Working Committee and opining that until the members of the Congress Working Committee were released, the question of office acceptance did not arise.

Khan Sahib's Assurance To Burma Evacuees

PESHAWAR, April 14, (A. P. I.): A deputation of Burma evacuees waited upon Dr. Khan Sahib, Chief Minister, and explained to him that they were not receiving their due allowance as promised by the Central Government. Dr. Khan Sahib gave a patient hearing and promised to help them after going through their grievances.

Hindustan Scouts Camp

Under the auspices of the Hindustan Scout Association, Bombay Province, a Scouters' Camp will be held at Hingne (near Poona) from the 6th to 18th May 1945 to qualify them for the much coveted Himalaya Badge. Mr. D. P. Joshi, B.A., Deputy Camp Director will be in charge of the camp.

Those who have undergone preliminary training course and are warranted scouters of at least two years' standing alone will be admitted on the recommendation of the District Commissioner. The Camp fee for the entire course will be Rs. 25. The course is open to gentlemen as well as ladies. The medium of instruction will be English only. Scouters wishing to attend should apply with a registration fee of Rs. 5 to the Provincial Secretary, Hindustan Scout Association, 12A, Western India House, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road, Bombay, before the 20 instant.

TRANSFER FROM INDIAN TO BR. ARMY FOR BRITISH EMERGENCY COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

NEW DELHI, April 15 (A.P.I.): Certain categories of British emergency Commissioned Officers in the Indian Army are to be allowed to transfer to the British Service says an announcement by the Adjutant-Generals branch at G.H.Q., India. An Indian Army Order containing all the details is being published on April 16.

PRINCES AND SAPRU PROPOSALS

Bhopal On "Important New Suggestions"

BHOPAL, April 15 (A.P.I.): His Highness the Nawab of Bhopal in an interview on the recommendations of the Sapru Committee stated that Indian princes had already publicly associated themselves with the general desire for constitutional advancement of their Motheriand. At the same time, they would, as in the past, wish to avoid expression of views on matters of a controversial nature which may concern British India alone.

His Highness added that the report of the Sapru Committee however contained certain important new suggestions which affect the States and which will require a careful examination by the princes and their advisers.

SCIENTISTS OPPOSE PAKISTAN

CALCUTTA, April, 15: Strong opposition to the Pakistan idea was expressed by two members of the Indian Scientific Delegation that recently visited Britain and the United States, in speeches at a public meeting at Asutosh College Hall.

Quoting President Lincoln's declaration during the American civil war that it would be better to have a hundred years civil war rather than allow the south to secede from north, Dr. M. N. Saha maintained that they would not be able to develop India if it was allowed to be partitioned.

Dr. S. K. Mitra declared that Pakistan or the partitioning of India would be suicidal. He observed that if, as a result of the civil war, the United States had been divided into north and south, it could never have been so big as it was today. That was a lesson for India.

FIRE CAUSES 25 LAKHS LOSS

NOAKHALI, April 14. (A. P. I.): Damage estimated at from 20 to 25 lakhs of rupees is reported to have been caused by a devastating fire at Chowmuhani Bandar, one of the biggest trading centres of the district, on April 7. About 200 merchants are stated to have lost their entire stock of goods.

The fire originated in a godown on a market day and helped by a strong breeze, spread rapidly. A considerable area of the bazar, consisting mostly of corrugated tin structures, was soon ablaze, and reduced to ashes.

Sharp Decline In Samta Timber Market

(From Our Correspondent)
DAHANU, April 13

Samta Timber Market is showing sharp decline in prices. Sales have almost stopped. Enquiries show this is due to an order imposed on craftsmen by shipping authorities. They are allowed to load timber only if they go to Broach once to carry cotton to Bombay. Craftsmen refuse going to Broach as they have to carry take crafts to Broach. Hence nearly 40 crafts are lying idle in Dahanu Port.

National Week Concludes In Poona

POONA, April 15, (A. P. I.): The Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition held here in connection with the celebration of the National Week closed to-day. The exhibition attracted over 25,000 people during these ten days.

FIRE AT AKOLA.
(From Our Correspondent.)
AKOLA, April 15.

A terrible fire broke out last night at Kiranabazar. Four buildings were burnt out. The loss is estimated at about rupees one lakh. The cause of the out break is unknown.

Aga Khan Cup

KIRKEEANS BEAT YOUNG SPORTS 'A' BY 4-1

In the quarter-final of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament the Kirkeeans defeated the first string of the Young Sports by 4 goals to one at the Bombay Gymkhana Ground, Sunday evening, and thus qualified to meet Kamla Club from Cawnpore in the penultimate round.

Surprising as it may seem, the Young Sports were the first to score. Patil finding the net for them after quarter of an hour's play. Stung by this reverse the Kirkeeans rose to the occasions and registered twi goals before the interval arrived. Salunke was responsible for the equaliser and Pillay gave the lead. The local team tried hard to score again but were unsuccessful in their attempts.

VISITORS CALL TUNE

After resumption the visitors were all over their opponents, Pillay, their brilliant inside right being the most outstanding player on the field. His stick-work was indeed pretty to watch Had the Kikeeans not taken it easy after Dadge has increased their lead to three, they might have emerged victorious by a much bigger margin than 4—1. Pardeshi booked the last goal for them.

TO-DAY'S QUARTER-FINAL.

6 p.m. Kalyanmal S. C. vs. G. I. P. Rly. A.

POONA GHEE CASE JUDGMENT

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice & Mr. Justice Lokur)

Sheroo Khodadad Irani ..... Applicant (Original Accused).
v.
Imperator ..... Opponent.

This was a Revision Allication from the conviction and sentence of three years' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 1 lakh passed by the Special Tribunal constituted under the Criminal Law Amendment Act. This application was heard along with two other applications—one by Merwan Khodadad Irani and the other by Navnitlal A. Bania, Bhogilal K. Gandhi and Mohanlal C. Vora, all of whom had also been convicted and sentenced by the same tribunal. Sheroo and Merwan who were army contractors had been convicted of criminal conspiracy and of cheating the Government of India by supplying as ghee a mixture which contained 80% vegetable oil and only 20% ghee to the Military Supply Depot at Poona. They had contracts to supply 325 tons of Sangli ghee which they carried out and for which they were paid Rs. 8,07,585-5-0 for stuff which the prosecution alleged was worth only Rs. 4 lakhs. The other three accused who were sub-contractors had been convicted by the Tribunal of criminal conspiracy.

Their Lordships set aside the convictions and sentences passed on Merwan, Bania, Gandhi and Vora on the ground that there was no evidence of guilty knowledge on their part.

Their Lordships, however, confirmed the conviction on the charge of cheating and the sentence passed by the Tribunal upon Sheroo. Their Lordships held that the contracts in question were notcontract for sale of ghee by sample only but were contracts for sale by sample as well as by description. If Sheroo agreed to supply Sangli ghee 2nd quality and the sample given by him was approved by the authorities concerned, he would still be liable if what was supplied did not answer to the description of "Sangli ghee" though it might correspond with the sample. In Their Lordships' opinion, the Tribunal had rightly held that a mixture containing 80% of vegetable oils and the balance ghee could neither in common sense nor in any other sense be classed as "ghee", and the cheating consisted of Sheroo securing the contract by a fraudulent representation that he was supplying Sangli ghee. This had resulted in his making an illegal gain of at least Rs. 80,000 acquired by taking from Indian soldiers in war time that which the authorities intended to provide for them. "A man who stoops so low as to line his pockets in this way commits a despicable crime", and should be visited with a deterrent sentence including a fine which should be at least three times the amount of the guilty profit. As, however, no notice for enhancement of sentence had been given, Their Lordships did not interfere with the sentence. Their Lordships set aside his conviction on the charge of criminal conspiracy but confirmed it on the charge of cheating.

Mr. F. J. Coltman, Sir Hormuzdyar Dastur and Mr. Y. B. Rege instructed by Messrs Crawford Bayley & Co. appeared for Sheroo.

Mr. V. G. Velinker, Mr M. C. Setalvad and Mr. G. N. Joshi instructed by Messrs Crawford Bayley & Co. appeared for Merwan.

Mr. G. N. Thakore with Mr. B. G. Thakore appeared for Bania and Vora.

Mr. C. B. Agarwal with Mr. B. G. Thakore appeared for Gandhi.

Mr. E. B. Ghasvala with the Asst Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

Indore Imposes Precensorship On Press Correspondent's Messages

Another Suit By Hubli Electricity Co.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Blagden)

The Hubli Electricity Co. Ltd. ..... Plaintiffs.
Versus
The Province of Bombay Defendant.

This was an off-shoot of the case decided by Mr. Justice Blagden last week upholding the defendant's action in revoking the plaintiff company's license and refusing the company's right to be restored to possession.

On 30th March 1944 an order had been issued requiring the plaintiffs to comply with the directions of the Electrical Commissioner, and on 4th April 1944, Mr. N. C. Raghavan Deputy Engineer was appointed Controller of the plaintiffs' undertaking. On 29th April an order was issued requiring the plaintiffs to sell the undertaking to the defendant under the Electricity Act and to hand over possession of it which the plaintiffs refused to do. On 3rd May 1944 the defendant issued an order authorizing Mr. Raghavan to exercise effective control over the plaintiffs' undertaking and prohibiting the plaintiffs from interfering with it. In the present suit the plaintiffs challenged the validity of this Order on the ground that the Order was, not bona fide for the purposes mentioned in it and that emergency legislation had been resorted to by the defendant merely because they had failed to get possession. It was also contended that no order to acquire control and possession of a running concern could be made under Rule 81 (3) of the Defence of India Rules.

Rejecting these contentions, His Lordship held that the plaintiffs' rights having ceased by a proper revocation of the license, the defendant was justified in doing what he was authorized to do under the Defence of India Rules, the supply of electricity being necessary for the efficient prosecution of the war. His Lordship therefore dismissed the plaintiffs' suit with costs but ordered the defendant to account for the rent of certain property taken possession of by them which did not form part of the undertaking.

Mr. H. D. Banaji and Mr. M P Amin instructed by Messrs. Joshi and Co.. appeared for the plaintiffs.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha and Mr. D. E. Billimoria instructed by Messrs. Little and Co. appeared for the defendant.

HYDERABAD (Dn.), April 15 (U. P. I.): Raja Dhanrajgirji, a local Jagirdar has contributed a sum of Rs. 10,000 to the Hyderabad State Khadi Prachar Sangh.

INDORE, April 13 (U. P. I.): An order under the Defence of India Rules has been served by the Indore Government on Mr. Suryanarayan Sharma, General Secretary of the Central India States' Journalists' Conference and the Representative of the "Bombay Chronicle", "Amrita Bazar Patrika" and several others in Central India and Rajputana, immediately on his return from Rampura where he had gone to cover the proceeding of the fifth plenary session of the Indore State Praja Mandal.

In the course of the order which is under section 26 (1c) (f) it is stated that after giving their full consideration to the case, the Indore Government is satisfied that in order to prevent Mr. Sharma from continuing to act in a manner prejudicial to the maintenance of public order and His Majesty's relations with the Indian State it is necessary to restrict Mr. Sharma from sending or disseminating any news or article or writing and causing to be sent such news or article or writing by post, telegram or otherwise without precensorship of the same.

CALCUTTA, April 15, (U. P. I.): "There can hardly be any culture for a slave nation for man can never rise to full status as a slave", said Syed Nausher Ali Speaker of the Bengal Legislative Assembly inaugurating last evening the "Vaithak Week" of the "Shanibarer Vaithak", a cultural association of Calcutta, at the residence of Mr. N. C. Chunder M. L. A.

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1. Memorandum and Articles of Association of Company;
2. Agreement entered into between the Company and the Managing Agents;
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4. Copy of statement in Lieu of Prospectus;
5. Copies of Balance Sheets of Calcutta Tanneries Ltd. for the years 1937 to 1944;

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Hightide: 3-09, 16-08; Lowtide: 9-20, 22-06.
Corporation Meeting 2 p.m. (B.T.).

To-day's Engagements

THE ASTHIKA SAMAJ: Ram-Navami Festival 9 p.m. Nadaswaram Concert by Sri Ratnam Pillai and Party.

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGHAM'S KAMBAR FESTIVAL: Final Day. 'P. Sri' speaks on "Kambar and His Art of Humour" to-day, 9.00 p.m., at S. I. Bhajana Samaj premises, Matunga.

HINDU DHARMA MATHA: Meeting of Hindu Dharma Matha to-day at Dr. N. D. Savarkar's House, Padhye Building Portuguese Church Road, Dadar.

MAZDAZNAN YOUTH MOVEMENT To-day (Monday), at 6-15 p.m. at Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road, opp. Queen's Statue. Various speakers will speak on "Reality and Appearance".

OPEN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS: Under the auspices of the Swastik League, the Open Badminton Tournaments for Bombay will be held from Monday, April 23. The events will be Gent's Singles; Doubles; Ladies Singles; Doubles; and Mixed Doubles. Entries will close on Thursday, April 19. Further inquiries and entry forms can be had from the office of the League, 324, Vithalbhai Patel Road.

BOMBAY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION: Public meeting at the Anand Bhuvan, Vithalbhai Patel Rd., to-day at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) under the joint auspices of the Bombay Women's Association, the Thakurdwar Mahila Sangh, and the Jt. Committee of the North Women's Associations to consider the question of relieving the present scarcity of cloth. Lady Rama Rau will preside.

TRAINING CAMP FOR STUDENT WORKERS.

The Bombay Students' Union will conduct a training camp for student workers at Chandivalli on the estates of Shri Amratlal Sheth, from 16th April to 26th April 1945.

In the course of the camp political leaders and public men like Shri Nagindas Master, S. K. Patil, Kumarappa, Gulzarilal Nanda, Shrimati Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya an others will conduct study-circles on various subjects. Shri Purshottamdas Tandon will inaugurate the camp to-day (Monday), at 9 a.m. and Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan will also attend the camp if he has to prolong his stay in Bombay.

Less Concession Milk For Children Between 6 and 10 Years

The Public Relations Officer (Rationing) writes:—

From Monday February 19 the Government of Bombay had temporarily increased the quantity of milk available at concessional price to milk ration card holders in Bombay City from ¼ to ½ seer. In view of the seasonal reduction in the supply of milk the Government has now reduced the quantity available in the case of children between 6 and 1 years of age from ½ to ¼ seer from Monday April 16. Children below 6 years of age and expectant and nursing mothers in Bombay City will, however, continue to obtain the same quantity i.e. ½ seer per day, on their milk ration cards.

City Building Trustee Acquitted

Judgment was delivered by Mr. G. A. Sabnis, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court in the case in which Valli Mahomed Haji, the managing trustee of the Sonawalla Building "Silver Foil" at Gamdevi Road, had been charged under clause 7 of the Rent Restriction Order with accepting Rs. 600 on 29-9-43, as premium for the renewal of a lease. The accused was acquitted.

The Magistrate in the course of his judgment observed that from the evidence before him it was beyond doubt that the accused had accepted Rs. 600 as premium.

He was however of opinion that the act of the accused in accepting Rs. 600 as premium for the renewal of the lease could only give rise to a civil liability. He therefore acquitted the accused.

ONE MORE PERSON ARRESTED

The Bombay City Police have arrested yet another person in connection with the theft at 69, Marine Drive The complainant, Mr. Mangaram Hakumatrai Mirchandani, is a Sindhi business magnate and a landlord.

It is stated that on Wednesday evening when the complainant returned from his office on receipt of a phone from his wife that their treasure safe was trifled with by their servants in her absence from the house when she went to an adjacent building and property worth Rs. 1,24,346 was missing.

The servant who it is alleged is an accomplice to this theft is Victorian Jackie Lobo.

He was placed before Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Court on Friday by the Esplanade Police. He was released on bail

TO-DAY ON RADIO

MONDAY April 16.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 Yeshwant Parvate. 8-45 Sitar. 8-50 News (M). 9.0 News (G). 9-10 To-morrow. 9.15 Gujarati Songs. 9-25 Geet. 9-40 Serene H. Doctor.

12-30 p.m. Songs (H). 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 Bhajan. 1-30 News (E). 1.40 Music. 2-30 For Women (Hindustani). 4-20 V. N. Thakar. 4-45 Thumri Tilang. 5-0 S. D. Borkar (Flute). 5-15 Mandakini Gadre. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5-55 Locals. 6-0 Serene H. Doctor. 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6-45 Matters of Moment. 6-50 S. D. Borkar (Flute). 7-0 Avatikal-Na-Udyogo. 7.15 V. N. Thakar. 7-45 Music from Film. 8-0 Gujarati Songs. 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G) 8-45 AIR Orchestra. 9-0 News (H). 9.20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9-45 Politics of Freedom (8) (B. B. C.). 10-5 Mandakini Gadre 10-15 Gujarati Songs. 10-30 Yeshwant Parvate.

PARITY TO MUSLIMS IS GRAVE INJUSTICE TO HINDUS

Liberals' Chief Criticises Sapru Committee's Recommendations

"The proposals of the Sapru Conciliation Committee are about as satisfactory as they can be made in the disunited condition of our people. If the establishment of freedom is urgent, and to that end united action is necessary, and it cannot be had except at a price demanded by a section of our own people the result cannot be expected to be much more satisfactory than it is," says Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, President of the Indian National Liberal Federation, in a statement to the Associated Press on the Sapru Committee recommendations.

He adds: "That the Sapru Committee pay a very heavy price for securing the co-operation of the Muslims is true. The Committee obviously consider it unavoidable and worth while. The present impasse and the deep feeling of frustration have wrung it out of them.

"That they have firmly negatived the demand for a division of the country is a matter for satisfaction.

"They have invited the Muslims to give up separate electorates in return for an offer of parity between Hindus and Muslims in the Legislature under the new constitution. This offer of parity is a negation of equal democratic citizenship, be it noted, for all time. It is as if one should say that under this constitution one Mussalman should count as three Hindus for all time. The parity offered is not even made to terminate at the expiration of a specified period, say, of ten or fifteen years.

Parity Must Have Time Limit

"The offer of parity even with Joint Electorates is so grave an injustice to the Hindus that its description as appeasement and blackmail is not surprising If one ultimately yields to the suggestion, it must be only in recognition of the importance of the immediate ends and their urgency. But what shall we say of the unwisdom of the suggestion that the injustice should be accentuated further till by a concession of parity without Joint Electorates? I should insist on a period being fixed at the expiry of which equal citizenship should emerge automatically without further legislative action. Parity for all time even with Joint Electorates is unthinkable."

Mr. Sastri adds: I wonder whether the Committee contemplate Party Government in the country. The composite cabinet as visualised in the proposals will only leave men with unsatisfied ambitions and their partisans to form the opposition. With the division into groups which makes the domination of any one group over all others impossible is it not better to leave the formation of the Cabinet free and unhampered? Will not more natural coalitions emerge from the free play of real political forces than those imposed under the artificial rule of proportionate representation on the Cabinet of all the groups? The proposed composite Cabinet will be inefficient without any common bond of principle or policy.

Kalappa Plumps For Socialist State

NAGPUR April 15. (A. P. I.): Presiding over the annual session of the C. P. and Berar Trade Union Congress to-day Mr. V. R. Kalappa, M. L. A. urged workers to agitate for a Socialist State. To whichever political organization or party they may have leaning, they should not accept anything less than a Socialist State, he said.

Characterising the Sapru Committee proposals as "disruptive and reactionary", Mr. Kalappa declared that they were not acceptable to the working classes. If the sovereignty of the people was to be recognised, no power had the right to foist any constitution on the people.

The task of framing a constitution ought to be left to a constituent assembly of the people. He asked Britain to announce categorically and unequivocally her readiness to part with power before inviting the various communities in India to frame an agreed constitution for India. This would not only help to overcome all the seeming difficulties but would also be the acid test for the sincerity of Britain. Furthermore, it should be left to the vision of the political leaders to decide whether India should remain in the Commonwealth.

Mr. Kalappa dealt with the problems facing the workers of the different industries, and pleaded for improvement of their conditions.

BENGALI NEW YEAR'S DAY CELEBRATION

The Bengali New Year's Day was celebrated by the Bengal Club at the Ramchandra Bhatt High School Hall, on Saturday April 14. The Hon. Mr. Justice K. C. Sen presided.

An entertaining programme of music and recitation by men and women, boys and girls was gone through to the delight of every body in the packed Hall. Mrs. K. C. Sen distributed the prizes to the successful candidates in the various competition.

MR. JUSTICE SEN'S APPRECIATION.

Mr. J. C. Maitra, President of the Bengal Club, in welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Sen, referred to the record strides the Club has taken during the past year in every direction. He expressed the hope that the Bengali residents of Bombay would extend their wholehearted co-operation and support to make their institution great.

Mr. Justice Sen congratulated the authorities of the Club on its great progress during recent years under the leadership of Mr. Maitra. He hoped that the Bengali community would help the Club in having a building of its own in the near future.

Before the proceedings began, a resolution expressing sorrow and grief at the sudden demise of President Roosevelt was passed, the whole gathering standing in silence.

City Docks Explosion Memorial Service

The explosion in the Bombay Docks which took place on 14th April 1944 culminating in the loss of lives of several officers and members of the Fire Fighting Service of Bombay was commemorated by a Memorial Service at the Alexandra Dock on Saturday at 4-30 p. m. A large number of citizens including Mr. U. M. Mirchandani, Municipal Commissioner and officers and staff of Bombay Fire Brigade attended the service. Mr. Norman Coombs, Officer Commanding Fire Service, spoke in a touching manner regarding the bravery of those who fought the flames and fire on the memorable day about a year ago and some of them had the misfortune to lose their lives.

Rev. Dr. Suban, Bishop of Methodist Episcopal Mission then addressed the gathering and prayed for those who had lost their lives in the performance of their duties. A two minutes solemn silence was then observed and the gathering dispersed with the final prayer by the Bishop.

Shortage Of Longcloth And Muslim Protest

A resolution setting out the difficulties of obtaining longcloth for wrapping Muslim dead bodies was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the representatives of the Bombay Provincial Muslim Educational Association Bombay Provincial Muslim Welfare Society and eleven other associations held recently in the hall of the Muslim Welfare Society. Dr. Mohmed Habib Effendi presided. The meeting further authorized Dr. Effendi to carry on correspondence with the Government regarding the said cloth for use as Kafan (shroud).

LOCAL BODIES HANDICAPPED

Moulabux Criticises Govt.'s Policy In Interfering With Administration

KARACHI, April 14 (A.P.I.): Pir Illahibux, Minister for local self-Government in Sind, inaugurating the fourth session of the local Self-Government Conference to-day said that big constitutional changes would take place in India in the new world order which is to follow after the war.

"Sind will have to undergo a radical change in the political atmosphere and in this, the local bodies will be given greater freedom in their own sphere," said that Minister.

He added that the people had an opportunity to prepare themselves and play their part benttingly.

Khan Bahadur Haji Moulabux delivering his presidential address, criticised the Government policy of intervening in the day-to-day administration of local bodies in Sind, which he said, had created an impossible situation. He added that the "sword of democles" was hanging even on the Karachi Municipal Corporation which had been deprived of two of its vital departments, waterworks and drainage, for no fault of its own. The institute, had therefore, decided to submit a memorandum to the Premier in this connection.

Viramgam Customs

The Jt. Hon. Secretary, Passengers and Traffic Relief Association, writes: On representation made to the General Manager of the B. B. & C. I Railway, in the matter of hardships experienced by passengers at Viramgaum coming from Kathiawar, the Passengers and Traffic Relief Association have been assured that the following facilities are being provided:—

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(3) A dust surface over the whole length of the platform.

VELLODI TOURS BENGAL

CALCUTTA, April 15 (A.P.I.): Mr. M. K. Vellodi, Textile Commissioner to the Government of India, accompanied by Mr. A. S. E. Iyer, Assistant Textile Commissioner, arrived in Calcutta today for a week's tour of Bengal.

The Late Dr. S. V. Ketkar

10th April being the death anniversary of the late Dr. S. V. Ketkar, Author of the Marathi Encyclopaedia, Mrs. Sheelavati Ketkar, Mr. N. M. Kelkar and Mr. B. G. Kher met and resolved that serious attempt should be made to get the Second and Third Volumes of "Prachin Maharashtra" (Ancient Maharashtra) which had been completely written by him, printed; secondly the first edition of the "Maharashtriya Dnyankosh" having been practically exhausted, attempts should be made to have a new revised edition prepared with all information brought up-to-date and the addition of Supplementary Volume, if found necessary. It was also resolved that several novels and books written by Dr. Ketkar may be reprinted. Fourthly, his selected novels should be translated into English and published in Indian as also foreign markets.

It is proposed to form a Board of Trustees, who will undertake this publication work and, those who are interested in it are requested to communicate with Mr. N. M. Kelkar, Purshottam Building, Lamington Road, South, Bombay.

MILK RATION CARDS: Registration of milk ration cards in the urban area of the Bombay Suburban District will be made on April 16, 17, 18 and 19 both at the morning and evening centres from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the morning only.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

It is the law of nature that he who takes away the liberty of others is by that act the first himself to lose his own.

—Milton.

The Bombay Chronicle

MEDICAL RELIEF

The question of medical relief, with special reference to rural areas, has not yet received the serious and coordinated attention it deserves, though it is before the various planning committees appointed by the Central and Provincial Governments. That is partly because it is a huge problem connected, on the one hand, with medical education and public health in the specialised sense of prevention of disease and, on the other, with the question of nutrition, which in its turn is affected by the appalling poverty in the country. We have in India only one doctor for every 10,000 of the population, as against one for 1,500 persons in Soviet Russia. That is not all. The Indian average is determined by the inclusion of licentiates who constitute two-thirds of the number of allopathic registered practitioners, whereas the Russian average excludes the licentiates. The situation is worse in rural areas where there is only one doctor for 20,000 villagers. Numerous villages go without any scientific medical relief, though they may be malaria-ridden and subject to several epidemics.

This problem was naturally taken up by several medical conferences held recently in various provinces. And a number of useful suggestions have been offered by them to Government and others concerned, and it is to be hoped that it will not be long before carefully coordinated plans will be prepared by Government and local bodies. A common suggestion is the expansion of medical schools into colleges. This is unexceptionable but we cannot approve of the suggestion to abolish the licentiate courses even before the schools are converted into colleges. At a time when we surely need more doctors willing to practise in rural areas, it will not do to abolish the few medical schools that we have. It is also necessary to provide better facilities to the licentiates for graduation and post-graduate studies. It often happens that even licentiates are unwilling to practise in rural areas. A suggestion has, therefore, been made by several doctors that a student entering the medical institution should furnish a written bond that he would serve in the rural areas for the first five years after his qualifying. We do not know if the suggestion will be received with enthusiasm by students. Probably, as admission to medical colleges and even to schools is now very difficult many students may consent to furnish such a bond in the hope that they may thereby ensure admission. In any case it is a better plan for Government to give a subsidy to doctors promising to practise in villages. Such a plan has been fairly successful in Bombay province, though it needs to be considerably extended.

At a reception given to him by the Calcutta Branch of the Indian Medical Association a few days ago Dr. Jivraj Mehta outlined a scheme "to take medical relief to the poorest man in the remotest corner of the country." The main idea of the scheme seems to be to start a number of hospital societies with the help of public charity and State aid. These will work somewhat on the lines of educational institutions started with the help of the philanthropic public and Government grants. Dr. Mehta also said that he was thinking of the feasibility of introducing a system like the medical missions under which many foreign doctors had settled down in small towns and villages. These are attractive schemes, not far different from those of the Kasturba Memorial Committee for maternity and child welfare. An attempt may well be made to carry them out in some selected areas at an early date. It must be noted, however, that hospitals for the poor will necessarily be far more costly than schools and will need generous grants from Government. But if Government recognises its duty to provide all necessary medical relief, it will find more economy in aiding Hospital societies as suggested by Dr. Mehta than in conducting hospitals of its own.

Frankly Speaking

World-Wide Mourning

It is only in the fitness of things that universal tribute should be paid to the memory of President Roosevelt. For the people of America and their Allies all over the world it is a tragedy the magnitude of which has yet to be felt. For those also in the world who are anxiously concerned about the fate of the peace-to-be it is a similar tragedy. The death of that great man is almost like a personal loss to many hundreds of millions of human beings in the six continents. The world-wide mourning is natural enough and it is by no means surprising that the U.S.S.R. and the British Parliament should make gestures of respect for Franklin Roosevelt which are unprecedented in their respective histories, nor that real India should share in the mourning with her own Tri-colour flying at half-mast.

Nauseating Hypocrisy

But what could never have been expected is a tribute by an enemy in this most total and brutal of all total and brutal wars. And this is what has happened. Admiral Suzuki, the Jap Premier has expressed "profound sympathy" with the American people. For Japs, who, like their German allies, have cynically betrayed all humane feelings and resorted to ruthless aggression, this is a remarkable statement. And in the midst of a total war, what is it for which they are sympathising profoundly with Americans in the loss of President Roosevelt? The true expression of a cynical enemy's feelings is given by a German commentator who is, quite understandably, gloating over the President's death and freely abuses him. The marked difference in the two attitudes cannot be put down to some sudden awakening among Jap leaders of noble and chivalrous sentiments. This would be nonsense. The otherwise incredible "sympathy" can only be explained on the assumption that Admiral Suzuki is thus trying tentatively to prepare the ground for some sort of approach which might help in saving Japan from the ultimate fate. As a tribute it is nauseating hypocrisy.

Multi-Pronged Offensive

It is difficult to resist the hope that organised military resistance by the Germans may collapse within the present fortnight if not week. General Eisenhower is about fifty-five miles from Berlin and is already across the Elbe at two points although the Germans are offering stiff resistance there. But they cannot save Berlin for many days because Marshals Zhukov and Koniev who are nearer to the Reich capital are, according to Nazi reports, poised for the final drive, from the east. Moreover, General Patton threatens to drive clean through central Germany. These two drives will split Germany into three. And then the American Seventh Army has started an offensive in a southerly direction, with Nuremburg within a day's progress. Such multi-pronged drives tearing through the body of Germany cannot be resisted long.

Exposing Those 'Delegates'

The pre-San Francisco Empire Conference has concluded its sessions in London at the end of which it has issued a statement in general terms of what the "delegates" propose to work for at San Francisco. We are not here concerned with the terms of their programme and assurances, but with repeated references to the representative character of the "Commonwealth" delegates and the claim that they speak for their respective countries and peoples. Others certainly do but the Indian "delegates" very certainly do not, nor has India the status of a Commonwealth. The communique, so far as India and the people of this country are concerned, merely rubs in a gross insult to a great nation. We are glad Indians in America are trying to see that pretensions about Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar and Sir Firoz Khan Noon are exposed to the United Nations' delegates. We are also glad that while the American State Department cannot officially assist the Indians who want to vindicate India's honour, it has said enough to suggest that it knows who and what the "delegates" are.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

It isn't easy to fool the man who knows himself.

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Some men spend half their time in making promises and the other half in making excuses.

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A man admires a woman who talks of his future and makes no inquiries as to his past.

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If love would only make men's cash go round they wouldn't worry about the revolutions of the world.

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About the only difference between the antiquarian and the junk dealer is in the prices they pay for useless things.

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A St. Louis girl claims her auburn tresses are due to the fact that she had scarlet fever and it settled in her hair.

New Anti-Hitler Plot

Germany's "Eternal" State Secretary's Double Game

STOCKHOLM, April 14 (U.P.A.)—New and reliable reports reached here today from Berlin substantiating earlier reports that Adolf Hitler rapidly is losing the last vestiges of his military and political power over the German Reich.

The process now going on was described in the highest German Government circles, according to Swedish informants, as a "Cold" coup d'etat. It was aimed gradually to freeze out Hitler from all influence.

The driving power behind this plot was reported to be Germany's "eternal" State Secretary, Dr. Otto Meissner, who served the late President Ebert during the days of the Weimar Republic, later served under President von Hindenburg, and finally was inherited by Hitler when the latter came into power.

Meissner, who is an expert in technical German state politics, now is reported to feel that Hitler must go, so that some remnant of the German State he has served so long may be saved.

SACRIFICE HITLER

Dr. Meissner is reported to have persuaded Dr. Heinrich Lammers, Herr Bermann, Heinrich Himmler and Field Marshal Keitel that Hitler must be sacrificed if Germany wants to survive.

One of Dr. Meissner's first steps was said to be a decree recently passed separating the Nazi Party from the German State. This is designed to enable the State to survive when the party collapses along with all its organizations.

Dr. Meissner induced Hitler to sign the decree by telling him it was necessary to enable the party to wage partisan warfare effectively, unhampered by any political duties.

DENAZIFICATION

The decree, however, implies the abolishment of the so-called "Fuehrer Principle" for civil servants, and frees them from personal allegiance to Hitler. Thus it paves the way for de-nazification of the German Government, a step obviously necessary in order to avoid chaos at the time of surrender to the Allies.

DOUBLE GAME

There are some indications, the informants said, that Meissner may be playing a double game and even is deceiving Himmler. He may plan to rid himself of Himmler and other Nazis as soon as the Allies reach Berlin and present himself as a "political neutral" permanent civil servant, who knows how to run the entire political organization of the German nation, because of his long experience. Dr. Meissner may envisage his role as that of a suitable candidate for the chieftancy of a provisional German Government, it was said.

Gift For First Allied Soldier To Enter Berlin

BEIRUT (By Cable): The winner of the first prize in the Lebanese Section of the B.B.C. competition for Arabic poetry has offered his prize as a gift to the first Allied soldier to enter Berlin.

The poet is Nicolai Lian. The winner of the second prize, Abdullah al-Naggar, has given his prize to the Lebanese Hostel for orphans.

France And Syria

Recently your paper published several news items regarding the relations between France and Syria, amongst which I noticed that many were unsympathetic towards French policy in the Middle East. Here is a telegram which the French Information Bureau has received, which testifies France's real intention to her mandated countries, and its appreciation by the Syrian Government.

I hope that you will be good enough to publish it for the benefit of our readers.

PIERRE BERTHELOT,
Consul for France.

Copy of the telegram (Translation) sent by the French Information Bureau:

It is reported from Cairo, that the delegates to the Arab Conference, before leaving this city, have made statements extremely favourable towards France, for the steps she has taken with the inviting powers of the Conference at San Francisco, for the admission of Syria and Lebanon to this Conference.

Djemil Mardan Bay, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Syria, expressed on the subject, his sympathy towards France, in an interview which has been published by all Egyptian papers. Examining the problems which are still pending between France and Syria, he declared that he considered them as rather easy of solution, as real goodwill prevails on both sides. —French Information Bureau.

B. E. S. T. Workers' Strike

In my statement published in your paper of the 12th current regarding the B. E. S. T. strike, the following typing mistakes need correction.

On the 19th March the General Manager did not telephone to me but 'phoned to the Police Commissioner and later on the former told me that "instructions were already issued by the Police Commissioner for the release of the arrested workers."

At the end of the 3rd para, for "he was not in a mood to come" please insert "he was not in a mood to talk".

In the concluding portion of para 4, "understanding" should kindly be substituted for "misunderstanding".

ABID ALI.

In your issue of the 13th inst. Mr. A. S. Trollip, General Manager, B. E. S. T. Co., Ltd., takes objection to my remarks at the press conference on the 11th inst. and says that he had never said that he had determined to crush the workers. I still repeat, that when Mr. Trollip's attitude was too uncompromising we enquired whether he had determined to crush the workers, he bluntly said: "Yes." Even if Mr. Trollip denies that he ever said such a thing, it is quite evident that he had intended to do so. Otherwise, there was no reason why he should have dismissed from service all the leading members of the Executive Committee of the Union, who really constituted the real working class leadership of the B. E. S. T. Workers' Union.

ADAM ADIL.
Vice-President, B. E. S. T. Workers' Union.

TRUMAN WILL DO ANYTHING IN WORLD TO PREVENT ANOTHER WAR

"Middle-Of-The-Road Politician From Missouri, He Knows His Senate Inside Out"

WASHINGTON, April 15 (U.P.A.): Harry Truman, who suddenly and unexpectedly became President of the United States and consequently will wield an inevitable influence in post-war global affairs, is a question mark to an anxious sorrowing world.

This unassuming man, who rose from a position as a three-dollar-a-week chemist's assistant to the highest post in the U. S., has friends among both left and right wings in American politics, as well as those in the middle of the road.

The new President always has been a 100 per cent follower of the Democratic Party. "New Deal" circles admit that Truman is not one of their men, but at the same time point out that neither is he close to the party's reactionary elements.

His associates in the first World War and old party line workers in the Democratic Party are two classes from which Truman is expected to draw his advisers. Although his closest friends include both New Dealers and Conservatives, the Conservatives are in the majority.

CONTINUATION OF POLICY OF F. D. R.

It is assumed that Truman's declaration of his desire to continue Roosevelt's policies will mean that, for the time being at least, many of the late President's aides and advisers will be retained. Chief among these advisers are Harry Hopkins, "the unofficial president", and Judge Samuel Rosenman, who is known to have exerted considerable influence on Mr. Roosevelt.

Because Truman likes many left-wingers, it is expected that Hopkins—who has been one of the most controversial figures in Roosevelt's administration—may be held over for some time. Hopkins was Roosevelt's confidante on great matters of State, even secrets that Secretary of State Edward Stettinius did not know. Hopkins was almost invariably on the spot when big Allied decisions have made, even before the Atlantic Charter was evolved.

Considering Truman's inexperience in foreign affairs, it is possible Hopkins may be indispensable to the new President.

Truman has not been profoundly informed on international questions, as he freely admits. Therefore, under him the State Department is expected to have a freer hand than under Roosevelt, who more often than not was his own Secretary of State.

OUT TO PREVENT ANOTHER WAR

But Truman is expected to do everything he can in the field of World collaboration for peace. He recently was quoted as saying: "I would do anything in the world I could to prevent another war."

He is expected to translate that pledge into action by maintaining the closest possible association with the Senate, as delegates to the San Francisco conference negotiate toward agreement.

The consensus in Washington is that whatever agreement comes out of the San Francisco Conference, with Truman's approval it will receive Senate approval.

Truman, the middle-of-the-road politician from Missouri—really knows Senate inside out.

Truman Checked Panic

NEW YORK, April 13 (Globe).—A little-known incident in the career of the mild-mannered one-time farmer's boy who today became 33rd President of the United States of American occurred on the Western Front in the last Great War. Harry Truman, serving as an artillery lieutenant in France, checked what threatened to become panic when German guns got the range of his battery. He lost only one killed and one wounded.

As a young man Truman has ambitions of a military career and wanted to go to West Point, the U. S. military academy. Weak eyesight barred him. After Pearl Harbour, he applied for active service, but was turned down.

His earlier jobs included railway time-keeper, newspaper wrapper, bank-clerk and book-keeper before he went back to his father's Missouri farm. His mother, now 91 years old, says: "Harry ploughed the straightest row of corn I ever saw."

One Time School Mistress Becomes First Lady

WASHINGTON, April 13 (U.P.A.): Bess Truman, a one-time Missouri school teacher who suddenly found herself the first lady of the land, soon will leave her five room, maidless, apartment where she cooked meals, scrubbed pans and sent out laundry as any other average American woman and will move into the White House, which has perhaps the most efficiently organised staff of household servants in America.

Such an idea terrifies her.

Quiet, trim, graying Mrs. Truman, who has done her travelling in Washington by bus, soon will ride in limousines bearing the Presidential seal.

No longer will her life be her own. She has become a servant of the American people.

The folkey first lady is beginning a life which she never dreamed of when she went to Sunday School with young Harry Truman more than a quarter of a century ago.

"MORE BRITISH WOMEN SHOULD VOLUNTEER FOR FAR EAST"

Lady Louis Mountbatten To Submit Report Of Her Tour To London Authorities

ADVANCE HQ., ALFSEA, April 15 (A.P.I.): Lady Louis Mountbatten who is due to arrive in England after an extensive three-month tour of service and civilian hospitals, casualty clearing stations and welfare units in India, Burma, China and Ceylon, at the request of the authorities, is now preparing a summary of her tour. She will submit her suggestions concerning hospital and other medical and welfare matters to the appropriate authorities, says a Press Note.

Lady Louis told a SEAC observer: "I have been particularly impressed throughout my visits with what has been done with the limited facilities available.

"I shall tell the authorities in London how much has been done with so little. I shall tell them of the high morale of the Allied forces out here, beating the Jap over the longest supply lines in the world.

"I have spoken to more than 3,300 Indian troops in hospitals and thousands more British, American, Chinese, African, Burmese and Sinhalese troops. I have seen many of these men half-an-hour after they have been wounded at the front being carried for in improvised medical units and then flown to base hospitals.

MORE BR. WOMEN SHOULD COME OUT

"I would like to see more British women—in addition to nurses—volunteer to come out and augment the splendid welfare work of many British and Indian women. In India itself I would like to see more women joining the nursing services to play their part alongside their own fighting men, whom I cannot praise too highly.

Lady Louis Mountbatten's series of visits were not an official inspection. The authorities who invited her wanted her to see conditions in her own way.

One day she travelled incognito on a 16-hour journey with troops in a third-class compartment. She dropped in unexpectedly at dozens of medical units, transit camps and leave centres.

Fighting On Mount Popa

Adv. H.Q. ALFSEA, April, 15 (A.P.I.): Although the Japanese are reported to be defending their positions strongly in one area south-east of Meiktila there is no indication that they are anything but generally disorganised in this part of the front, writes Donogh MacDonagh, A.P.I. war correspondent, and 14th Army armoured sweeps southwards from Meiktila continue to meet with success.

With the capture of Hlaingdet—22 miles east of Meiktila—the Japanese have lost the last protectorate position guarding their escape route eastwards and southwards through the shall hills.

Mount Popa, where fighting is reported to be taking place in today's 'communique' is famous in Burmese [illegible] history as the place where in the go for inspiration from their seat at Pagan when confronted with difficult state problems.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER ON PACIFIC WAR

SYDNEY, April 15 (Reuter): The Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Military Forces, Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, stated in a broadcast, today that the war in the Pacific would last for an unpredictable period.

"The high degree of success which has attended the bypassing strategy of Gen. MacArthur in his advance into the Philippines has encouraged some people in the belief that this Pacific war will end soon," he said.

"I have not heard that view expressed by any Allied Service leader in possession of all knowledge that is available to us. Rather it is felt that we must face up to the probability of sustained campaigning and heavy fighting for an unpredictable period."

BANGKOK POWER PLANT BOMBED

Air Attack On Stores And Gun Positions In Arakan

KANDY, April 15 (A.P.I.): Today's S.E.A.C. Communique says:

AIR: Heavy bombers of the Eastern Air Command yesterday attacked the Thai power plant in Bangkok, destroying the power house and a warehouse, badly damaging other buildings and causing a large explosion and fire.

In Arakan, fighters patrolling between Taungup and Prome strafed gun positions and stores.

Other Allied aircraft caused fires and explosions when bombing an area containing troops and motor vehicles at Toungoo. The railway bridge at Pyu, south of Toungoo, was damaged and rolling stock and rail tracks were hit.

LAND: Fourteenth Army front: Troops operating from the Meiktila base are meeting strong opposition in an area to the south-east.

Hlaingdet, eight miles east of Thazi, has been occupied by our troops. Railway engines and rolling stock have been captured.

Resumption Of Civil Administration In Burma

LONDON, April 15 (U.P.A.): An article, by the conservative Sunday Observer's correspondent O. M. Green, describing the difficulties in the resumption of civil administration in Burma, declares that while the army's needs will be paramount, so much in the future depends on the smooth transition of authority to the old government that all evidence of military rule should be removed as soon as possible.

"How soon Dominion Status will be feasible ..... no one can say. But nothing could do more to convince Burmese politicians of our sincerity than an early reinstatement of Parliament, even if only in reconquered provinces.

They will not have failed to notice that directly General MacArthur took Manila, the Filippino Government was fully re-established without any apparent detriment to his prosecution of the war," the article said.

JAPS OPEN NEW DRIVE

CHUNGKING, April 15 (U.P.A.): A new Japanese drive in north China is threatening the U. S. Army's 14th Air Force base at Sian, capital of Shensi province.

From an operational viewpoint the base is one of the most important in all China as it accommodates American planes which have been attacking Japanese communications and installation throughout all the area north of the Yellow river—as far as Peiping and Dairen, in the Kwantung leased territory, south Manchuria.

The Japanese began massing troops last week and started ferrying them across the river near Loyang on Saturday. American planes constantly attacked the ferries and caused heavy casualties to the enemy. Ten Japanese railway trains were shot up.

Chinese sources said that the first Japanese columns had been stopped by Chinese divisions of Gen. Hu Chung-nan but it was admitted the Japanese might make major advances when they throw their armoured columns into the fray.

New Jap Supreme War Councillor

TOKYO, April 15 (Reuter): The Tokyo radio today quoted a Japanese War Ministry announcement that His Imperial Highness General Prince Naruhiko Higashikuni, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Headquarters, has been appointed supreme war councillor.

Life Sentence For Theft Of Military Firearms

NICOSIA (Cyprus), April 15 (Reuter): After the theft of arms including machineguns from a Cyprus Volunteer Force unit, officially announced about ten days ago, Governor Sir Charles Campbell Wooley has issued a regulation providing for life imprisonment with a minimum of seven years' imprisonment for theft or possession without legal authority of firearms, ammunition or explosives belonging to His Majesty's forces or police.

Proof of lawful possession rests on any person charged.

It is officially announced that proceedings will not be taken against people who surrender such arms before midday May 1.

Judging from court reports minor cases of illegal possession of military firearms have been numerous over a long period. Explosives for sea fishing have been also often suspected of being stolen from the military.

SIBNATH BANERJI'S CASE BEFORE PRIVY COUNCIL

LONDON, April 15 (U.P.A.): The famous case of Signath Banerji and seven other Bengal prisoners versus the Bengal Government is coming before the Privy Council tomorrow.

Mr. D. M. Pritt and Mr. Krishna Menon are appearing for the respondents; Sir Walter Monckton for the Government.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

WASHINGTON: Giving reasons as to way Ethiopia rejected British loan offer, that Ethiopian legation in Washington stated that Ethiopia had rejected a 3,000,000 pounds loan from Britain, as it was subject to conditions which the Imperial Government found it impossible to accept it.

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On Friday last Mr. Churchill proposed adjournment of the House of Commons owing to the death of President Roosevelt "whose friendship for the cause of freedom and for the causes of the weak and the poor have won immortal renown."

Really? We mean, did Mr. Churchill really mean all that?

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Lord Wavell is reported by "Globe" to have made a lightning trip to Field-Marshal Montgomery's headquarters.

We hope Field Marshal Montgomery offered sound and valuable advice regarding the Bhulabhai Desai and the Sapru Committee proposals.

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We read in the preamble to the communique on the Empire Conference: ".....We, representatives of the countries of the British Commonwealth, have met together in London."

The statement is, of course, also signed by Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar and Sir Firoz Khan Noon.

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And to make doubly sure that nobody makes any mistake about it, the statement emphasises in the last paragraph that "through their representatives it will be the purpose of the peoples and Governments of the British Commonwealth in all continents....."

Imposturing and false pretences are no crime under the Indian Constitution, as you know.

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In a spirited statement on India Professor Harold Laski says, referring to Mr. Winston Churchill: "When the election comes, we shall, I hope, convince him that Warren Hastings is as dead as Queen Anne. He has not yet heard that this is so."

This proves at any rate that in Britain they do enjoy freedom of truthful expression.

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But we do object to Professor Laski's description of the British Government's "Cripps offer" as "a screen, behind which Mr. Jinnah can be encouraged to indulge in his fantastic egotism in dreaming of Pakistan, which is marked near cloudland on the map of India."

We strongly protest. And we hope a crushing retort is promptly dealt to Professor Laski by Mr. Beverley Nichols.

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Says a New Delhi A.P.I. message dated April 14 "The Committee of Action of the All-India Muslim League were again in session today and dismissed various matters relating to the League organisation. The meeting will continue tomorrow."

And go on during the next two or three months?

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According to Pir Illahicux Minister for Local Self-Government in Sind, "big constitutional changes would take place in India in the new world order which is to follow after the war."

On the general pattern of Sind more or less? We shouldn't be surprised, in view of what the "new world order" is going to be.

Late SHRI NANIBEHEN GAJJAR,

Founder, VANITA VISHRAM

CONDOLENCE MEETING

A PUBLIC MEETING of the Citizens of Bombay will be held on TUESDAY, the 17th April, 1945, at 6 P. M. at the Vanita Vishram Gardens, Sandhurst Road, Bombay, to mourn the death of Shri Nanibehen Gajjar, the Founder Trustee of Vanita Vishrams of Surat, Bombay, Rajkot and other places, when appreciative citizens of Bombay are requested to attend.

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad.
Sir Chimanlal V. Mehta.
Sir Bomanji Wadia.
Sir Mathuradas Vasanji.
Hon'ble Justice Sir Harilal J. Kanai.
Sir Chimanlal B. Mehta.
Hon'ble Justice Sir Harshadbhai Divatia.
Sir Sitaram Patker.
Hon'ble Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa.
Diwan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri.
Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. H. Bhagwati.
Shri Nagindas T. Master.
Sheth Pranlal Devkaran Nanji.
Shri B. G. Kher.
Shri Kanaiyalal M. Munshi.
Sheth Govindramji Seksaria.
Sheth Ramdevji Podar.
Sheth Mansukhlal Master.
Sheth Chatrabhuj Bhagvandas Narotamdas.
Sheth Krushanraj Madhavji Thackersey.
Dr. K. T. Gajjar.
Shri Varjivandas Saraiya.
Shri Ramanlal Saraiya.
Shri Motichand Kapadia.
Seth Singji Sunderji.
Seth Jamnadas Meghji.
Seth Pragji Dayal Hariani.
Seth Prabhashanker Bhatt.
Rao Bahadur Bhupatrai Shastri.
Seth Gordhandas T. Mangaldas.
Shri Chhaganlal Kanuga.
Shri Manilal Nanavati.
Shri Hiralal Mehta.
Shri Vasantram Jamiatram.
Shri Manubhai Pandya.
Shri Sarojini Naidu.
Shri Kamladevi.
Lady Premila Thakersey.
Lady Laxmibehen Jagmohandas.
Shri Sunderbehen Hansraj Pragji.
Lady Tarabehen Mehta.
Lady Masani.
Lady Kusumbehen Kania.
Lady Jollybehen Divetia.
Mrs Maneklal Premchand.
Shri Hansabehen Mehta.
Shri Lilavati Munshi.
Shri Hiravati Mansukhlal.
Shri Jayabehen Pranlal.
Shri Jayshreebehen Raiji.
Shri Avantibai Gokhale.
Shri Kamlabai Dongerkery.
Shri Kantabehen Saraiya.
Shri Aimai Rustomji.
Shri Bachubehen Thakkar.
Shri Babibehen Mulji Dayal.
Shri Urmila Mehta.
Shri Velabehen Dwarkadas.
Shri Rasikmani Desai.
Shri Jayabehen Kanuga.
Shri Saraswatibehen Mehta.
Shri Kantabehen Khandwalla.
The National Council of Women In India.
The Bombay Women Association.
The Bombay Presidency Women's Council.
Shree Gujarati Hindu Stree Mandal.
Shree Bhagini Samaj.
Hindu Stree Mandal—Fort.
Hindu Stree Mandal—Santa-Cruz.
Bhatia Stree Mandal.
Seva Sadan.
Lad Mahila Mandal.
Gurjar Social Ladies Club.
Gujarati Stree Sankari Store.
Jain Mahila Samaj.
Shraisadhak Mandal.
Hindu Sevak Samaj.
Anavil Samaj.
Lohana Samaj.
Shri Dasha Shreemali Bhagini Mandal.
Vile Parle Stree and Kumarika Mandal.
Hind Mahila Samaj.
Shree Forbas Gujarati Samaj.
Sunit Girls' School.

ABDUL GHAFFAR KHAN ON PARLIAMENTARY POLITICS

Why He Does Not Oppose His Brother Taking Office And "Must Not Speak On Rumour About Bhulabhai's Move"

BOMBAY, April 15. U.P.I.): Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan has issued the following statement to the Press:—

People have been asking me to give my views about the Frontier Ministry, and the rumours about Shree Bhulabhai Desai's move to form a National Government of some kind at the Centre.

Although Dr. Khan Sahib is my brother, friends must not think that we see eye to eye in everything. He can become the Prime Minister, I can not. In fact I do not believe in Parliamentary politics. I do not know that I do not even dislike it. My politics are service of the people and calling others to it. I have described such people as 'Kudai Khidmatgar'. But I have the spirit of tolerance in me. Therefore, I do not mind people entering assemblies or even taking office so long as they can really serve people. Perhaps people now understand why I do not oppose congressmen like my brother taking office if they believe in it and keep themselves pure.

On the rumour about Shree Bhulabhai I must not speak. I can only give opinion on facts that I know."

BHULABHAI FOR FRONTIER?

NEW DELHI, April 14. (U.P.I.): Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai, Leader of the Congress Party in Central Assembly left for Lahore to preside over the Punjab Civil Liberties Conference to be held to-morrow.

It is understood that from Lahore, Mr. Desai will proceed to Peshawar on April 20.

Cotton Arrivals

BOMBAY, April 14.

	Yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Sept. Last year.
Khandesh	331	38,513	45,455
Central India		29,659	44,075
Barsi & Nagar	568	53,983	47,198
Hyderabad/ Gaorani		22,372	13,451
Berar	204	178,639	204,526
Central Provinces	278	39,560	37,710
Total Comras	1,381	363,726	392,392
Dholeras	1,204	85,200	39,443
N.-W. Provinces		600	811
Rajputana		1,179	1,082
Sind-Punjab	679	379,347	355,192
Broach	993	101,756	167,697
Coompta and Dharwar	203	45,924	16,729
Westerns/ Northerns	101	29,246	6,173
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	114	10,850	808
Soudan		1	59,951
Egyptian (other than Soudan)		147,367	125,167
East African		64,013	58,421
Comilla, Burma & other sorts		2,770	1,185
	4,675	12,30,979	12,25,051
Arr. by road to 5th April		8,500	6,000

Ready Cotton Quotations

BOMBAY, April 14.

	1943/44 Crop.	1944/45 Crop.	New Delivery Contct Basis May.
	Ready Basis	March	Jarilla
C.P. 1 Jarilla		450/465	.....
C.P. 2 Jarilla		440/455	.....
Berar Jarilla	350/360	430/440	.....
Punjab 289 F.	485/515	555/575	+155
Punjab 289F. saygin		610/650	+200/40
Sind N.T.	450/465	480/500	+75
Muglai	330/340	390/405	.....

Cotton Room Rates

Jarilla Extra Spr-fine 427 Sup. 420. Fine 413, F. Good 408.

4 F. Pun/American Extra Spr-fine 457, Sup. 450, Fine 443, F. Good 438.

L.S.S. Pun/American Extra Spr.fine. 507 Sup. 500, Fine. 493, F. Good 488.

289 F. Pun/American Extra Spr-fine. 582, Sup. 575, Fine 568, F. Good 563.

M.G. 4F. Sid-American Extra Spr.fine. 457, Sup. 450, Fine 443, F. Good 438.

M.G. N.T. Extra Spr-fine 508, Sup 500, Fine 493, F. Good 488.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, April 14.

Cocoanuts Raw 78, Dry 76, Cocoanut Oil 320, Copra Office 195, Dilpasand 205, Madrasnottam 217/8, Goodgooda 216, Pepper Wynaad 375, Country 370, Dry Ginger Chernad 250, Ernad 235, Coffee Robusta 84.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

Tata Ordinary 388, Tata Deferred 2050, Indian Iron 39/6, Steel Corpn. of Bengal 32/8, Bombay Dyeing 1782/8, Central India 380, Century 935, Gokak 297/8, Kohinoor 605, Simplex 255, Andhra Valley 1755 Tata Hydro 200, Tata Power 1847/8, Associated Cement 231/8, Belapur 217/8, Bombay Burma (Old) 511/4.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 14.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 I and 2 months, 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. Rates: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4

Tone of Sterling Exchange. Quiet.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 p.c, 3 to 5 months 1/2 p.c, 6 to 11 months 3/4 p.c, 12 months 1 1/4 p.c.

Tone:—Easy.

LONDON BULLION

London, April 12.

Spot 25-1/2, Forward 25-1/2. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/8/0.

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

Statement of the position of scheduled banks as at the close of business on the 6th April:

	Rs.
Demand Liabilities in India	6,04,22,53,000
Time Liabilities in India	2,21,63,63,000
Cash in India:	
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	26,32,99,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	1,99,82,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin	60,14,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	84,53 19,000
Advances in India	2,81,22 36,000
Bills discounted in India	15,17 31,000

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA
Agricultural Credit Dept.
Bombay, 13th April 1945

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 6th April 1945.

LIABILITIES

	Rs.
CAPITAL:—	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,00,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	2,28,66,08,000
Sundries	1,12,13,000
Rupees	2,41,40,71,000

ASSETS

	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	1,26,85,78,000
Other Authorised Investments	4,17,03,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	21,51,36,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	43,53,88,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	4,56,95,000
Dead Stock	1,66,59,000
Sundries	1,14,83,000
CASH:	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	36,88,01,000
Balances with other Banks	1,06,28,000
Rupees	2,41,40,71,000

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN.

LONDON, April 12.

Total Bullion £1,683,000; Public Deposits £10,200,00; (A) Other Depdsits £246,300,000; Government Securities £217,700,000. (B) Other Securities £20,000,000; Notes, Gold and Silver Coin £13,600,000; Notes in Circulation £1,238,700,000; Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities 5.2 p.c; (A) Other Deposits include Bankers' Deposits £184,600,000; (B) Other Securities Include discounts and advances £12,900,000; Total Deposits £256,500,000. Total Securities £237,700,000.

Wall Street Market

NEW YORK, April 13. (U. P. A.): Stock prices dropped momentarily with the announcement of President Roosevelt's death but immediately resumed the advance for the fourth consecutive session, trading volume increasing with the recovery.

Railroad and oil issues showed small gains.

The increased trading volume was explained as a vote of confidence in President Roosevelt's successor, President Harry S. Truman.

This confidence it was pointed out, was generated by the failure of the market to break early in the day when new buying brought short covering.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average hit a new high since 1937, the large turnover in this section reflecting belief that President Truman might be more favourably disposed towards this industry.

All Security and Commodity markets will close to-morrow as a mark of respect for President Roosevelt.

The following are the closing prices of selected stocks on the New York Stock Exchange to-day:—

United States Steel	65 1/2
Anaconda Copper	32 1/2
Pennsylvania Railway	37
Grumann Aircraft	34 3/4

The last named was the most favoured aviation issue in to-day's trading.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, April 12.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New Crop) 51/6 July-August quoted, Wheat Australian (Bulk) unoffered, Wheat Australian (Bags) unoffered.

Chicago Commodity Exchange

CHICAGO, April 13. (U. P. A.): The grain markets were extremely nervous following the announcement of President Roosevelt's death together with the culminating war news and the prospect of the Commodity Exchange being closed on Saturday.

Prices swung from a weak beginning to the limit five cents advance in the current rye delivery and a bull market returned to around the previous days price level before the close.

May delivery for wheat established a 21-year peak price before dipping as much as a cent below Thursday's close.

Buying by mills in anticipation of extensive Government orders for flour accounted for most of to-day's activity.

At the close of to-day's session grain price losses ranged from fractions to one cent.

"Withdraw Ban On Congress"

Punjab Civil Liberties Union Conference Demand

LAHORE, April 15 (U. P. I.): Immediate withdrawal of the ban on the Indian National Congress, release of the detenus and political prisoners and freedom of speech, assemblage, organisation and the Press were demanded by the Punjab Civil Liberties Union Conference held here today under the presidentship of Mr. Bhulabhai Desai.

The Conference further demanded a suitable amendment of the Defence of India Act and restriction of its use to legitimate purposes as in the opinion of the Conference the same Act "unduly restricts civil liberties of citizens and is being utilised by the Executive for purposes other than those for which it was designed.

Another resolution demanded the commutation of the death sentences of the Ashti and Chimur prisoners.

Messages wishing the Conference success were received from Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Mr. Rajagopalachari, Mr. Sri Prakash, M.L.A. (Central), Mr. Abdul Qayum, M.L.A. (Central) and others.

Mrs. Naidu said: "I consider civil liberties as the core and centre of true national freedom."

Mr. Rajagopalachari said: "Imprisonment without trial is an admission of the inefficiency of an administration."

Mr. Abdul Qayum said: "Elected members of Provincial Assemblies have been detained without trial and deprived of the right to represnt their constituencies even after release.

"It is the duty of all well-wishers of India to mobilise public opinion so that such regrettable instances become memories of the past."

'Political Suicide' For Hindus, Says Dr. Moonje

Dr. B. S. Moonje in the course of a statement in connection with the Sapru Committee's report says "If the Constitution is to be framed on the lines suggested by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru in his Conciliation Committee, it clearly means that the Hindus should first commit political suicide and allow the Moslems and Christians combined to gain supremacy in the administration of India, and they should next also agree to communal suicide resulting from the possible diabolical use of political supremacy for promoting their proselytising activities. The Moslems and Christians in association with foreign missionaries are the two proselytising communities in India and they can easily join hands on some understanding to out-vote the Hindus and to concentrate all political power in their own hands. The Scheduled Classes will naturally cast in their lot with such a powerful combination as of the Britishers, Moslems and Christians, as is seen practically in Bengal. If this state of things continues then it does not require much of an intelligence to predict that the whole of India within the next 25 years, that is, within the period of 3 censuses, will be a Pakistan with a corner of Christianstan in it.

Food Situation In Madras Satisfactory

MADRAS, April 14 (A.P.I.): All round improvement in the food situation in the province is recorded in the latest review of the position by the Madras Government. With stocks of food grains adequate for current requirements and with a free flow of paddy and millets into the markets, the food situation, says a Press Note, is generally satisfactory.

Oil Pipeline Through Assam

NEW DELHI, April 13 (A.P.I.): Work on an oil pipeline running from the Bengal coast through Assam to a point 500 miles away in a direct line has just been completed.

INDORE JOURNALIST GAGGED

(From a Correspondent).

INDORE, April 12: A gag order believed to be first of its kind in the History of the Defence of India Rules was served by the Indore Government this morning on Mr. Suryanarayana Sharma.

BHARAT BANK LIMITED

The working of the Bank for the year ending 31st March, 1934 resulted in a net profit of Rs. 19,27,232 (subject to Audit), which together with the amount of Rs. 91,005 brought forward from the previous year makes a total of Rs. 20,18,237. The total working has exceeded Rs. 26 crores.

Ceylon Invitation For Dr. Syed Mahmud

NEW DELHI, April 15 (A. P. I.): Dr. Syed Mahmud has been invited by the Ceylon Congress to address a conference on April 27 and a passage has already been booked, but Dr. Mahmud says that it is physically impossible for him to attend the conference.

DR. SYED MAHMUD

To Be Operated Upon After Two Months

NEW DELHI, April 15 (A.P.I): Dr. Syed Mahmud, who arrived here on Friday, will leave for Lahore on April 18 and after staying there for two days will leave for Peshawar to preside over the Frontier Provincial Political Conference.

Dr. Mahmud has during the last two days met a large number of Congress and Jamiat friends. Among those who called on him were Mr. Bhulabhai Desai and Mr. Sri Prakas. Dr. Mahmud's general health is now fairly good but the cataract in his right eye and his swollen feet are troubling him and he has, therefore, not read much of recent developments, including the proposals published by the Sapru Commitee. He has been advised to undergo an operation after about two months.

CONGRESS AND COMMUNISTS

Questioned about Congress attitude towards the Communists, Dr. Mahmud said that they were one of the most organised groups in this country; their disicipline and untiring zeal were marvellous; and neither the Congress nor any other body could ignore them. The Congress could not stop them from becoming four-anna members and even office-bearers if they were electd. He, however, did not agree with the Communists' attitude to the present war, nor did he like their allegiance to two parties at one time. In his opinion, interim Congress Committees are free to include or exclude Comunists according to local conditions.

DAWN OF INDIA LIFE ASSURANCE

Culmination Of Series Of Frauds By Directors

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Coyajee)

The Superintendent of Insurance ..... Petitioner.

and

B. M. Mody ..... Petitioner

and

B. K. Desai ..... Applicant.

Versus

1. Dinkar Vinayak Atre, Pleader
2. Dr. Mahadev Narhar Kadhe.
3. Krishnaji Waman Purandhare
4. Devidas Madhavrao Dange ..... Respondents.

This was a misfeasance summons against the three directors and the manager respectively of the Dawn of India Life Assurance Co. Ltd. (In Liquidation). That company had an amount of Rs. 79,750 lying with the Sound Banking Corporation Ltd., Poona who were acting as the bankers of the Company. The Sound Corporation had advanced amongst others to respondents 1 and 4 large sums of money aggregating to Rs. 50.000 and these were the whole assets of the Sound Corporation. In 18th July 1941, the directors of the Dawn Co. purported to convert the Company which was a creditor of the Sound Corporation into a shareholder of 1,595 fully paid shares of that Corporation of the face value of Rs. 50 each. The respondents were charged under Section 235 of the Companies Act with misfeasance in thus disposing of and failing to recover the said deposit of Rs. 79,750, by reason of which the Dawn Co. was unable to pay the deposit required of it under Section 7 of the Insurance Act. The defence of the respondents was that the deposit with the Sound Corporation having already been lost, the best way to protect the financial interests of the Dawn Co., was to purchase the shares of the Sound Corporation and thus gain effective control over its management.

Holding that the conversion of 18th July, 1941, was the culmination of a series of fraudulent acts by the directors, his Lordship rejected their defence and observed that the material date was not 18th July 1941 but 11th March, 1940 when the Dawn Co., was called upon to make the necessary deposit under the Insurance Act, and not getting the money from its deposit with the Sound Corporation, its attention was drawn to the financial condition of the latter. Not only had the respondents failed to call in the money at that stage but eight months later, amongst others respondents 1 and 4, actually obtained loans aggregating to Rs. 50.000 from the Sound Corporation, when at least those 50,000 could have been realized.

His Lordship therefore passed a decree for Rs. 50,000 against the respondents.

Mr. P. B. Vachha and Mr. B. M. Mistry instructed by Mr. D. P. Sethna appeared for the applicants.

Mr. S. M. Shah and Mr. M. M. Jape instructed by Messrs. M. K. Mankar and Co., appeared for the respondents.

Fair Deal For Handloom Industry

Agarwal On How To Eliminate Cut-Throat Competition With Mill Products

MADRAS, April 14 (A.P.I.): Mr. Narain Agarwal, inaugurating the second Madras Handloom Weavers' Conference at Mandapeta in east Godavari District, emphasised the importance of handloom industry in Indian economy and dealt with the problems that face this industry.

Mr. Agarwal referred to the questions of competition between the Handloom industry and mill industry and said that one of the ways of eliminating the cut-throat competition was by restricting in type of cloth that each industry produced. He thought that the mill should not produce sarees, dhoties, towels and handkerchiefs, which should be left entirely to the handloom industry.

Mr. Agarwal pleaded for government assistance to the weavers for arranging the marketing of their products, for obtaining technical assistance and for providing credit facilities. He declared that the lasting protection of the weavers lay in the "Charkha" and asked them to spread the message of "Charkha."

Mr. D. Ramakantarao, in course of his presidential address to the Conference, suggested that the Government of India should import more Egyptian cotton and ask the mills to produce more fine yarn exclusively for handloom cloth production. He urged for a larger representation in the proposed All-India Handloom Board for the weavers and pleaded for fixation of yarn prices in accordance with the cotton prices leaving only reasonable profit to the mills.

Control On Distribution Of Yarn

Under the Textile Commissioner's All-India yarn distribution scheme, which came into force from April 1, quotas have been fixed for each zone. The Provincial Textile Controller Bombay, has issued an Order under the Cotton Cloth and Yarn (Control) Order, 1943, directing the quota holders in Bombay Province not to sell or deliver or otherwise dispose of any yarn except to such person or persons and subject to such conditions as he may from time to time specify in this behalf. This order does not apply to yarn purchased by the merchants on behalf of other Provinces and State Government, under orders of the Textile Commissioner, Bombay, and to sewing thread or to yarn specially prepared for sewing. The order is published in Part I of the "Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary" of April 13.

Indian Cloth For Saudi Arabia

KARACHI, April 14. (U.P.I.): The Government of India have exported 2.70.000 yards of cloth to Jeddah in Saudi Arabia. This information reached the Central Relief Committee formed by the local Muslims for the purpose of sending relief to Saudi Arabia where scarcity of both food and cloth is reported to prevail.

It is understood that efforts are being made to prevail upon the Government of India to allow further export of cloth and foodgrains to Saudi Arabia and representations are being made in this connection.

INDIAN WRENS IN ENGLAND

Kalyani Sen On New Spirit In India

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 14

Three women officers of the newly-formed Indian "WRENS" arrived in London to study WREN training in England. One of them is 28-year-old second officer Kalyani Sen whose husband is an army colonel.

Interviewed Mrs. Sen said, in India, there is still considerable prejudice against girls and women working with men but women are so keen to get into Services that they are breaking it down. Muslims and Hindus sit down at the same table in officer's mess and mix freely although they may sit apart if they wish. War is producing a new spirit in India slowly. It is breaking down more rigorous religious differences and prejudices. The younger generation is the most advanced and it is their elders who are holding them back in many cases."

Lord Haw Haw Plans To Settle In Eire

DUBLIN (I.P.S.): Having failed to secure Swiss Government's permission to settle there, when the Nazis were defeated, Lord Haw Haw (Mr. William Joice) of Berlin Radio is planning to make Eire as his hide out. Haw Haw though he is a British citizen is now claiming that he belongs to Ireland.

LONDON, April 15 (Reuter): Princess Elizabeth has completed her course at the Auxiliary Territorial Service training centre and has passed out as a fully qualified and competent driver.

'Amritsar Day' In London

Middleton And Thompson Speak Out

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 14.

Jimmy Middleton, ex-Secreary of the Labour Party and Mr. Edward Thompson, historian, provided an effective answer to the weekly 'Spectator's' query "What purpose is served by studiously keeping alive the memory of the lamentable events of 1919? ".

Mr. Middleton presided over the meeting at Conway Hall arranged by the India League for the observance of Amritsar.

In the absence of Prof. Harold Laski, Mr. Edward Thompson was the main speaker. The audience was vastly moved as young Indians by dialogue and songs enacted events that culminated in the Jallianwalabaug tragedy. In some parts of the Hall there were even tears rolling from faces as the curtain came down at the end of "The Walled-Garden" specially written for the occasion by Mrs. Jaykishori Handoo.

Mr. Middleton justified his presence at the meeting by saying that he was there to proclaim that he as an Englishman was thoroughly ashamed of what happened at Amritsar. He had no doubt that Amritsar would go down in history of mankind as one of the worst chapters of British administration in India and it would remain for ever the worst blot on British name.

TAKE LESSON FROM TENNYSON

Mr. Middleton then alluded to Lord Wavell's presence yesterday at the meeting of the Tennysonian Society. Mr. Middleton hoped if Lord Wavell wanted instructions as to what to do with India, and the Indian people he should study certain aspects of Tennyson. But Mr. Middleton felt that Lord Wavell would fail to find some of the finest and noblest Tennysonian sentiments at the gathering of the Tennysonian Society. Mr. Middleton had hoped and dreamt of great things, from Lord Wavell but Mr. Middleton felt a very disappointed man because Lord Wavell had so far failed to fulfil in India the liberal ideals and traditions with which he had been credited.

Mr. Middleton reminded his English audience that Lord Wavell had still allowed men like Pt. Nehru and Maulana Azad to languish in jail. The only concession he seemed have made to those rotting in jails for their fight for freedom was to transfer them to their respective Provincial jails. Mr. Middleton added: "As an Englishman I am ashamed of this. In fact there are no words in my vocabulary to characterise British treatment of Indians. I still hope against hope that some sense of human equality will be brought to bear so that Indians will fight the Japanese as our equals. I still hope that this human equality will mean that Indians will have the right to speak, the right to act, the right to have their own Government, the right to have their own Parliament unfettered by any outside influence, the right to send their men and women to international conferences instead of being handpicked by Churchills, Amerys and Wavells.

AND THAT IS AMERY

Mr. Middleton told the audience that he was always reminded of Mr. Leopold Amery, whenever he read the following couplet in Tennyson's Poems:

"I chatter, and I chatter as I flow,
For men may come or men may go but I go on for ever."

THOMPSON'S FEARS

Demanding immediate release of Indian political leaders and opening of discussions with them for formation of a National Government, Mr. Thomson said: "If this was not done at once there may be another crisis in the relations between Britain and India. What happened after the last war may happen again at the close of the war in Europe. We may again witness another Jallianwallabaug—I fear perhaps on a much bigger scale with greater political repercussions. The present state of affairs must inevitably lead to it."

RURAL WORKERS' TRAINING CAMP

(From A Correspondent)

Regular training of the workers at the Rural Workers' Training Camp, Pohri (Gwalior), commences from April 16 The Camp will be formally inaugurated by Smt Kamala Devi, President, All-India Women's Conference on the 24th of April 1945.

Gandhi Centre To Be Set Up In Simla

SIMLA, April 13 (A.P.I.): Dr. Gope Gurbuxani and his wife propose to start here a centre of national social service based on Mahatma Gandhi's conception of social service. The organisation will work for all those who are handicapped physically or mentally and aim at a higher level of social efficiency.

Dr. Gurbaxani and his wife stayed with Mahatma Gandhi at Sevagram for seven weeks when they devoted their time for the study of Gandhian philosophy and his conception of social service.

"GRAM UDYOGA PATRIKA"

WARDHAGANJ, April 14 (U.P.I.): The Gram Udyoga Patrika resumed its publication under the editorship of Mr. Bharatan Kumarappa. The Patrika suspended its publication in March 1943 owing to the imprisonment of the publisher, Mr. J. C. Kumarappa and other workers of the Patrika.

WOMEN DEPORTEES ARRIVE IN PARIS

From Reuter's special correspondent, PARIS, April 14 (Reuter): General de Gaulle and weeping crowds of Parisiennes welcomed home this afternoon 117 women political deportees. They were the first batch of 7500 French women liberated from the notorious women's concentration camp at Ravensbruck, Germany. Thirty thousand women of all Allied nationalities are still awaiting repatriation from Ravensbruck.

League Committee Of Action In Session

NEW DELHI April 14. A.P.I.: The Committee of Action of the All-India Muslim League were again in session to-day and discussed various matters relating to the League organisation. The meeting will continue to-morrow.

MIRAJ, April 15 (U.P.I.): The Raja Saheb of Akalkot has dismissed Mr. Khot, Revenue Minister and Mr. Shinde, a Mamlatdar, for accepting bribes and fined them Rs. 1,000 each, says a report received here.

SALE OF POTATOES AT GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS.

Potatoes from Poona and Nasik districts are available at all Government Grain Shops in Bombay City and Suburbs and at the Government Godown on DeLisle Road at 2 AS. 4 LB. There is no need to produce ration cards or ration permits nor is there any limit on the quantity that can be purchased at any one time. Cash memos are given against the sales.

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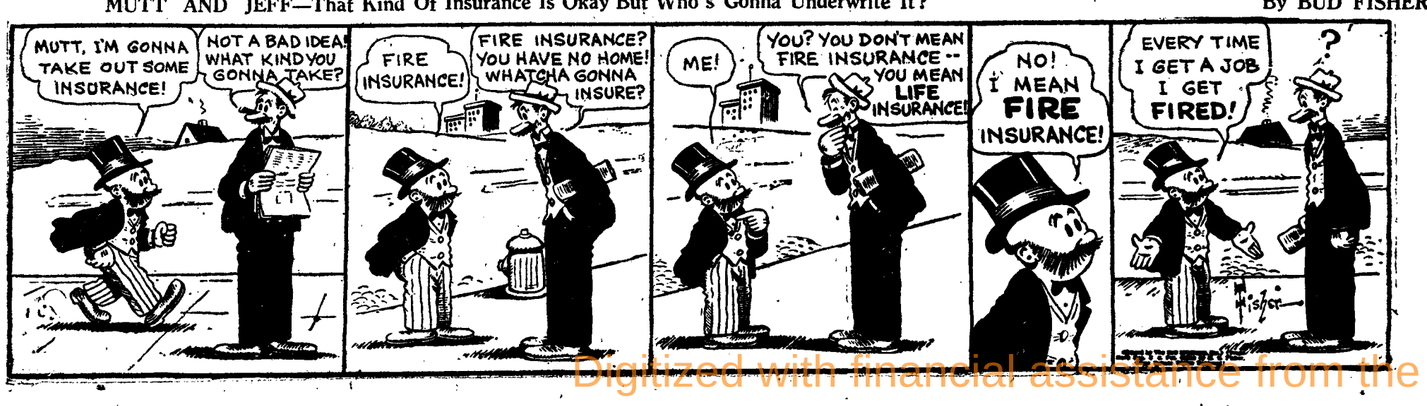
MUTT AND JEFF—That Kind Of Insurance Is Okay But Who's Gonna Underwrite It? By BUD FISHER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NOT A BAD IDEA! WHAT KIND YOU GONNA TAKE?
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FIRE INSURANCE? YOU HAVE NO HOME! WHATCHA GONNA INSURE?
ME!
YOU? YOU DON'T MEAN FIRE INSURANCE -- YOU MEAN LIFE INSURANCE!
NO! I MEAN FIRE INSURANCE!
EVERY TIME I GET A JOB I GET FIRED!
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Wanted a Beautiful, Educated and respectable family Saraswat Girl for a Police Officer of same community age 29, write with photo and age. Apply Box No. 7869, "Bombay Chronicle."

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SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted immediately a Veterinary Surgeon with M.R.C.V.S., qualifications for a Stud. Apply with testimonials and account of previous experience, if any, stating age, caste and minimum salary expected. Apply Box No. 2887, "Bombay Chronicle."

Applications for the post of Veterinary Assistant Surgeons, in the grade of Rs. 50-5-80-5|2-120, are invited from young graduates, by the 1st May, 1945. In matters of T.A., leave, and pension, etc., they will be guided by State rules and regulations. Apply to Chief Veterinary Officer, Alwar (Rajputana). (2884)

Wanted Office Assistant, knowing typing, general office work and execution of orders; also wanted one part time Accountant. Reply Box No. 7872, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted an assistant knowing accounts, preferably a fresh B.Com., for an Auditors' office. Knowledge of typewriting essential. Apply Box No. 7850, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted, (1) Pottery expert having the following qualifications:—(i) B.Sc. in Ceramics, Ceramic Engineering or Ceramic Technology, (ii) five or more years experience of working in a pottery factory, (iii) experience in building and working of intermittent Kilns and other equipment. (2) Workshop Mistry required for erection of new Industrial plant having at least 10 years experience. Must be literate and able to read designs (3) Electrician having at least five years experience of A. C. wiring, maintenance and repairs of A. C. Motors. (4) a fast experienced Typist, preferably with knowledge of short hand. Apply with copies of testimonials, past experience salary with last employer and salary now expected, Box No. 2844 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted two experienced Chemists for a Big Paints factory running in Northern India. Salary ranging upto Rs. 1,000 per mensem according to qualifications. Communicate in confidence giving full details with Box No. 2816, "Bombay Chronicle".

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Wanted Service as Manager or partner by a well experienced gentleman in Cinema-line knowing operating, mechanic booking, etc., state offer, Box No. 7876, "Bombay Chronicle."

EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Lady Irwin College, Sikandra Road, New Delhi, proposes to send two candidates for higher training in Home Science, one to Canada and the other to the United Kingdom. The course of study may extend to two or three years. Applications are invited on or before April 30th from the past and present students of the College, who possess the minimum qualification of Intermediate in Arts or Science of an Indian University and the Home Science Diploma of the Lady Irwin College. The value of each scholarship will be £300|- per annum or its equivalent in dollars. Further information and a prescribed form of application may be obtained from the Honcrary Secretary on payment of Re. 1|-. (2883)

MEDICAL ADLETS

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Wanted, Two Gas Engines (one 20 BHP, One 50 BHP) continuous tropical rating, Fuel Charcoal or Wood. Must be complete with producer plant. Apply stating full particulars of accessories, such as pulleys, tools spares, etc., make, year of manufacture, present location, date of delivery and price F. O. R. nearest Railway Station, Box No. 2843, "Bombay Chronicle"

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Property at Naviwadi, Dadyseth Agiary Lane. Apply Box No. 7871, "Bombay Chronicle."

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For all Kashmir goods. Wanted wholesale buyers, stockists and sales agents. Tweeds, Knitting-wools, embroideries, curios, etc. Secure stocks for coming months available now. Enclose Re. 1/- stamps for particulars and samples. Send trial orders with 10% advance. Kanwar & Co., Mfrs., Srinagar. 7716

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

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PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts of clerks in the Audit Department in the grade of Rs. 75-5-100-10-150 plus Dearness Allowance that may be sanctioned from time to time. Applicants must not be more than 25 years of age and should be either B.Coms., (with Advance Accounting and Auditing), or Registered Accountants or should have passed Government Diploma in Accountancy examination.

Applications stating full name, date of birth, caste, domicile and qualifications must reach the Office of the Municipal Chief Auditor on or before 1st May, 1945.

Employees of other Municipal Departments are not debarred from applying.

R. C. MEHTA,
F.S.A.A., R.A.,
Municipal Chief Auditor.

Municipal Head Office,
Bombay, 16th April, 1945.
(2881)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts in the office of the Special Officer (Electric Grid), Bombay:—

(1) DRAFTSMAN—
Scale of Pay: Rs. 90-5|2-140;
(2) ASSISTANT DRAFTSMAN—
Scale of Pay: Rs. 50-5|2-90.
(3) TRACERS—
Scale of Pay: Rs. 25-2-55-3-70, and
(4) COMPUTOR—
Scale of Pay: Rs. 25-2-55-3-70,

plus dearness allowance and Compensatory Local Allowance admissible.

The posts are temporary and sanctioned for one year in the first instance, but are likely to be permanent.

Candidates for the posts of Draftsman and Assistant Draftsman must have practical experience of at least 10 years and 5 years respectively in the preparation of plans and estimates for roads, buildings, bridges etc. Holders of a degree or Diploma in Civil Engineering will be preferred. Those who have passed the Second Grade examination of the drawing certificate of the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, and have obtained a certificate in the Architectural course as well as those who have passed through the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, after acquiring a fair theoretical knowledge of building construction, drawing, tracing, etc. would also be considered.

Candidates for the post of tracers and computor should have practical experience of at least 3 years.

Candidates who are natives of the Province of Bombay will be preferred. Those already in Government service should apply through their respective heads of office.

Applications giving full particulars regarding age, caste and sub-caste, domicile, educational qualifications and practical experience etc., should reach the Special Officer (Bombay Electric Grid), Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay, on or before the 30th April, 1945.

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G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites Tenders for the purchase of Second hand and damaged empty Kerosene oil tins. Forms obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Re. 1 per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 27-4-1945 at 3 p.m. (N. S. T.).

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED by 21-5-1945 for post of ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF EMBRYOLOGY, GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE, BOMBAY.—PAY—Rs. 150-400. Higher starting pay admissible. AGE—Ordinarily not above 30 years on 1-8-45, except for Bombay Government Servants. Limit may be relaxed. QUALIFICATIONS.—(i) M.S. (Bom.) or equivalent qualification (ii) F.R.C.S. (iii) M.B.B.S. with B.Sc. in Anatomy. Candidates with M.B.B.S. degree studying for M.S. also eligible. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelop with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1|- payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission", Bombay, who will supply full details on request.

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MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

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MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

For Sale—One Partition Screen, Masonite and Glass upper, 12 running feet by 7 feet high with spring door. Suitable for office, etc. Offers to Box No. 7868, "Bombay Chronicle."

PUBLIC NOTICES

N O T I C E

EXTENSION OF SKIM MILK POWDER SCHEME TO BOMBAY SUBURBS

THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY has extended from April, 22, 1944, the orders (1) requiring the use of skim milk powder in tea and coffee served by restaurants and hawkers, (2) regulating the sale|purchase of skim milk powder and (3) fixing the prices of tea and coffee, to the Bandra, Parle-Andheri, Juhu, Kurla and Ghatkopar Municipal areas and the Chembur Village area of the Bombay Suburban District. The orders as amended are published below.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
(SUPPLY)

Bombay Castle, 14th April 1945.

No. 57 (G)|IV-C.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules and in partial modification of the Orders issued in Government Notifications in the Finance Department (Supply), No. 57 (G)|IV, dated the 5th June 1944, and No. 57 (G)|IV-G, dated the 24th November 1944, in so far as they relate to (a) hawkers and (b) restaurants as defined in the Explanation to this Order, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that with effect from 15th February, 1945, except under and in accordance with the conditions of a license granted by the Milk Commissioner or the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay,—

(1) no person shall supply or offer to supply any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) to, or for use or consumption in, any restaurant in the local areas specified in the Schedule to this Order (hereinafter called the said area);

(1A) No person in charge of a restaurant situate in the said area shall keep or store cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) in such restaurant;

(2) no person in charge of a restaurant situate in the said area shall in connection with the business thereof—

(a) obtain or attempt to obtain any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk);
(b) use or cause to be used any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk), in the preparation of tea or coffee;
(c) supply or serve, or offer to supply or serve to any person tea or coffee so prepared;
(d) supply or serve or offer to supply or serve to any person in a cup or drinking vessel tea or coffee to which milk prepared from skim milk powder has not been added;

(3) no person in charge of a residential hotel or residential club situate in the said area shall supply or serve or offer to supply or serve to, or for consumption by, any person who is not at the time a resident thereof, tea or coffee, prepared from any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk); and

(4) no hawker of tea or coffee in the said area shall—

(a) use or cause to be used in the preparation of tea or coffee any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk);
(b) sell or cause to be sold to any person tea or coffee so prepared;
(c) sell or cause to be sold to any person in a cup or drinking vessel tea or coffee to which milk prepared from skim milk powder has not been added.

Provided that nothing in this Order shall apply to the use, service or supply of skim milk powder.

EXPLANATION:—For the purposes of this Order restaurant means any place wherein is carried on, whether or not in addition to any other form of business, the business of purveying tea or coffee, to the public or any class of the public, but does not include a residential hotel, residential club, boarding house or a restaurant car on a railway.

EXPLANATION 2.—For the purposes of this Order "ready-made tea or coffee" means tea or coffee to which milk has been added with or without any sweetening substance.

SCHEDULE

The City of Bombay; the Bandra Municipal Borough; the Kurla Municipal Borough; the Parle-Andheri Municipal Borough; the Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipal District; the Juhu Municipal District; the Chembur Village.

No. 57 (G)|IV-C. (a).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Government of Bombay is pleased to make the following Order:—

1. With effect from 15th February 1945, no person shall except with the written permission of the Milk Commissioner or the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay:—
(a) In the local areas specified in the Schedule to this Order (hereinafter called the said area) sell, distribute or supply or offer or attempt to sell, distribute or supply to any person skim milk powder;
(b) In the said area obtain or attempt to obtain any skim milk powder otherwise than on a valid permit issued for the purpose by the Milk Commissioner or the Director of Civil Supplies or the Controller of Rationing;
(c) Transport skim milk powder beyond the limits of the said area to any place in the Province of Bombay;

2. The Provicial Government may exempt any person or any class of persons from the operation of any or all provisions of this Order.

SCHEDULE

The City of Bombay; the Bandra Municipal Borough; the Kurla Municipal Borough; the Parle-Andheri Muncipal Borough; the Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipal District; the Juhu Municipal District; the Chembur Village.

No. 57 (G)|IV-C (b).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that on and after the 15th February 1945—

(1) no person in charge of a restaurant situate in the local areas specified in the Schedule to this Order (hereinafter called the said area) and no hawker of tea or coffee shall in the said area:—
(a) charge for ready-made tea and coffee a price in excess of—
(i) one anna per six fluid ounces of ready-made tea, and
(ii) one and a half annas per six ounces of ready-made coffee;
(b) on demand, and offer of price, refuse to sell ready-made tea or coffee at the rates specified in sub-clause (a), if such tea or coffee is available in such restaurant or with such hawker, as the case may be;

(2) every person in charge of a restaurant shall display and keep displayed in a conspicuous position in such restaurant, near the counter, a copy of this Order and every hawker shall keep with himself a copy of this Order, which he shall on demand by a customer produce for his inspection.

EXPLANATION 1.—For the purpose of this Order restaurant means any place where is carried on, whether or not in addition to any other form of business, the business of purveying tea or coffee to the public or any class of the public, but does not include a residential hotel, residential club, boarding house or a restaurant car on a railway.

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By order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. D. GORWALA,
(Secretary).

NOTICE
UJJAIN SINGHASTH MELA BANNED

In the interest of the intending pilgrims it is hereby announced that considering the shortage of foodstuffs and difficulties of transport due to war time, the Gwalior Government has banned the holding of the Singhasth Fair the second phase of which is to take place from March, 1945 to June, 1945.

The Resident for Central India has also notified a ban on travel from any place within the railway lands in C. I. to Ujjan for taking part in the Singhasth Mela.

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NOTICE

WANTED YOUNG MEN, qualified in Mining and Geology to work as Assistant Quarry Manager in Limestone Quarries. Starting salary Rs. 125 p.m. plus dearness allowance, free quarters, free medical attendance, etc., but a higher salary may be given to candidate possessing more suitable qualifications and experience. Only those who are available for immediate employment need apply to Box No. 2849, "Bombay Chronicle". (Sanction Bombay E-Ex-No. 1).

G.I.P. RAILWAY

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Poona, invites tenders upto 14 hours on 2-5-1945 for the construction of buildings necessary to instal a Water Softening Plant and one unit staff quarter at Mchol station.

2. The form of tender, schedule and conditions of contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. Plans for the work will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3|- being made. These sums will not be refunded.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public that our clients Messrs. Ali Mahomed Mecklai & Co., of 101, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, have suspended their Assistant Hooseinally Gulamhusein Abdulla from service since November, 1944.

Dated at Bombay this 13th day of April, 1945.

PEREIRA FAZALBHOY & CO.,
Solicitors for
Messrs. Ali Mahomed Mecklai & Co.
(2868)

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

3 PER CENT

FIRST DEVELOPMENT LOAN, 1970-75

Available for Cash Subscriptions From 16th April, 1945

The loan will be closed without notice as soon as subscriptions amount to Rs. 40 crores and in any case not later than the 18th April 1945.

ISSUE PRICE Rs. 97/-.... PER CENT.

5 Per Cent. Income Tax Free Loan, 1945-55, notified for repayment on the 15th October 1945 will also be accepted as subscriptions at Rs. 102-8-0 for every Rs. 100/- nominal tendered for conversion.

Applications will be received at the offices of the Reserve Bank of India at Bombay, Calcutta, Cawnpore, Delhi and Madras, at the branches of the Imperial Bank of India., at other places and at all Government Treasuries.

For full particulars, apply to any of these offices, branches or treasuries.

G.I.P. RAILWAY
NOTICE

Booking arrangements for 3rd class passengers at Victoria Terminus

With effect from Thursday, 19th April, 1945, the 3rd class Booking Office at Victoria Terminus will open for the sale of tickets for Main Line trains at the times specified below:—

TRAIN No.	Departure Time	Sale of Tickets to commence
27 Down, Bhusaval Fast Passenger	7-00)	
19 Down, Poona Express	8-20)	5 hours
33 Down, Poona Passenger	6-30)	
21 Down, Poona Fast Passenger	11-00)	9 "
11 Down, North East Passenger	11-20)	
35 Down, Madras Express	13-30)	11|30 "
5 Down, Punjab Mail	14-00)	
1 Down, Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	16-20)	14|30 "
3 Down, Poona Mail	17-20)	
7 Down, Calcutta Mail via Allahabad	20-20)	18|- "
9 Down, Madras Mail	21-20)	19|- "
197 Down, Peshawar Express	21-50)	
23 Down, Poona Passenger	23-00)	
25 Down, Poona Passenger	0-15)	21|- "

Tickets for these trains will not be sold before these hours, except that a limited number of tickets will be sold one day in advance as hitherto to passengers desiring to reserve seats by No. 19 Down, Poona Express, No. 35 Down, Madras Express and No. 3 Down, Poona Mail.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY
Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals)
Strand House Graham Road,
Ballard Estate, Bombay.

AUCTION NOTICE

LARGE QUANTITIES of salvaged Miscellaneous General Stores, M.T. Parts, and Unserviceable Timber, will be sold by Public Auctions at the following places:—

	LOCATION	DATE AND TIME		AUCTIONEERS
1.	Port Salvage Depot, Bombay.	20-4-45	11 A.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co., 72, Medows St., Fort, Bombay.
2.	Ammunition Factory, Kirkee.	23-4-45	11 A.M.	M|s. Nusserwanji Sorabji & Co., 94 Main Street, Poona.
3.	M. T. Breakdown Depot, Dehu Road.	24-4-45	11 A.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co.
4.	Army Salvage Depot, Ghorpuri (Poona).	25-4-45	11 A.M.	M|s. Nusserwanji Sorabji & Co.
5.	Salvage Sub-Depot, Trimulgherry (Secunderabad).	26-4-45	11 A.M.	M|s. Vazir Sultan & Sons, 141, Oxford St., Secunderabad-Dn.
6.	Timber Salvage Depot, Matunga Bombay.	27-4-45	3 P.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co.
7.	Timber Stores Depot, Sewri, Bombay.	30-4-45	11 A.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co.

The stores may be inspected at site by previous arrangement with the stockholders. Further details can be had from the Auctioneers. 2877

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PUBLIC NOTICES

RATIONING OF GUVAR AS CATTLE-FEED.
NOTIFICATIONS

Finance Department (Supply).
Bombay Castle, 13th April 1945.

No. C. R. 44—In exercise of the powers conferred by rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to amend the Bombay Cattle-Feed Rationing Order, 1944, as follows, namely:

In the Schedule appended to the said Order after entry No. 3 the following new entry shall be added, namely:—

"4. Guvar."

No. C. R. 44 (a)—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (11) of clause 2 of the Bombay Cattle-Feed Rationing Order, 1944, the Government of Bombay is pleased to fix the 16th day of April, 1945, as the date for commencement of the rationing of Guvar.

By order of the Governor of Bombay.
A. D. GORWALA,
(Secretary).

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals) Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

AUCTION NOTICE

A PUBLIC AUCTION will be held at Ghi Centre, Kamptee, on Monday, the 30th April, 1945, at 11 a.m. for the disposal of the following ghi tins available at the Centre:

	Nos.
(a) Misc. fit Bright tins	1,30,000
(b) Unfit	23,000
(c) Cut-mouth	11,500
(d) Misc. fit black tins	1,05,000
(e) Unfit	14,000
(f) Cut-mouth	7,000
Total	2,90,500

The material may be inspected by intending purchasers by previous appointment with the Officer-in-Charge, Ghi Centre, Kamptee. Twenty per cent of the accepted offers will have to be paid on the fall of the hammer and the balance will have to be paid within 7 days of the auction. The other terms and conditions of the sale will be announced by the Officer conducting the auction. (2881)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED by 31-5-45 for the contract posts of (i) Transmission Engineer, (ii) Diesel and Steam Engineer and (iii) Power Costing and Power Sales Engineer, for Bombay Electric Grid System. PAY.—Rs. 1,500-2,150, plus overseas pay of £13-6-8 per mensem for candidates of Non-Asiatic domicile. HIGHER STARTING PAY ADMISSIBLE. No age limit. QUALIFICATIONS.—Degree in Electrical Engineering or Diploma of Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, or similar Institution; in addition ordinarily 20 years' practical experience, including 7 years in responsible position in designing, etc., of high and low transmission and distribution lines for post (i), designing, etc., of power houses and generation of energy therein for post (ii) and survey of loads, computation of cost, fixing sale price, etc., for post (iii). Candidates for more than one post need not submit separate applications. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1|- payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission," Bombay, who will supply full details on request."

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals) Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.

Sub:—Tender for the purchase of empty ghi tins ex No. 3, Ghi Centre, Kamptee.

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of the following quantities of ghi tins ex No. 3 Ghi Centre, Kamptee.

	Nos.
1. Misc. fit bright tins	1,30,000
2. Unfit bright tins	23,000
3. Cut mouth bright tins	11,500
4 Mics. fit black tins	1,05,000
5. Unfit black tins	14,000
6. Cut mouth black tins	7,000

The tins are offered as they are and intending purchasers should satisfy themselves of the condition, quality, etc., before submitting their tenders. The material may be inspected by intending purchasers by previous appointment with the Officer-in-Charge, No. 3, Ghi Centre, Kamptee. Tenders superscribed "Tender No. CS|MPD|1397 for the purchase of ghi tins at Kamptee." should be submitted so as to reach this office by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the 18th April, 1945.

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